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Thu 1130	WRMI	9955 [1772 presumably replayed]
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Fri 2130	WRMI	7570 [confirmed]
Sat 0730	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1530	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Sat 1930v	WA0RCR	1860-AM [off this week only]
Sun 0315v	WA0RCR	1860-AM [off this week only]
Sun 2100	WRMI	15770 [confirmed]
Sun 2300	WRMI	11580 [confirmed]
Mon 0300v	WBCQ	5110v Area 51 [confirmed]
Mon 0330	WRMI	9955 [NEW; confirmed]
Tue 1100	WRMI	9955
Wed 0630	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Wed 1315	WRMI	9955
Wed 1430	HLR	7265-CUSB Hamburger Lokalradio
Wed 2100	WBCQ	7490v

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http://www.rmrc.de/index.php/rmrc-service/podcast/glenn-hauser-wor

ALTERNATIVE PODCASTS, tnx Stephen Cooper:
http://shortwave.am/wor.xml

AND ANOTHER PODCAST ALTERNATIVE, tnx to Keith Weston:
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http://tunein.com/radio/World-of-Radio-p198/

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When applying, please identify yourself with your real name and location, and say something about why you want to join. Those who do not, unless I recognize them, will be prompted once to do so and no action will be taken otherwise. Here`s where to sign up:
http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dxld/

** ALBANIA [and non]. 9850-, May 9 at 0125, R. Tirana IS, fair-good signal and usual low audible het detectable during pauses. The het is quite constant and persistent, and since Wolfgang B¸schel says Qinghai, China listed on 9850 is not propagating to Europe, but that he does detect the ``het`` as a defect out of the Shijak transmitter itself, I no longer call for RT to move to 9855 as that would obviously make no difference!

Wolfy said: ``No QRM of China Qinghai co-channel 9850 kHz here in

Europe. All the path from eastern China via sunny Siberia reflection zone towards western Europe is in sunny daytime. Radio Tirana English service, 2015-May-07 at 0133-0134 UTC, 9849.975 kHz, usual 100 Hertz hum buzz fence seen, tonight in western Europe, Belgium and U.K., S=9+30dB or -49dBm signal strength. Regards Wolfy df5sx``

9855, May 10 at 0128, R. Tirana is here instead of 9850! With IS, 0130 sign-on still mentioning 9850. The `het` I think is still JBA on the new frequency. I had been prompting R. Tirana to shift up 5 due to previous assumption that the QRM was coming from another station, China on 9850, instead of from the same station. It took this long to change, shortly after I explained that it would not make any difference to do so. However, 9855 is no worse than 9850, so might as well stay there now (unless this was just an overlooked QSY from 9855 as used earlier for Albanian at 23-24).

9850, May 13 at 0132, R. Tirana is back on original frequency for English to North America, after switch to 9855 on May 10 UT (not on air May 11, and not checked May 12). Nothing on 9855, but very poor propagation on 9850 and I want to positive it`s RT so retune at 0156 to hear RT closing IS.

At 0157 I`m also hearing some weak SSB QRM. This demodulates as 9851-LSB, and in clear after Tirana 0158*. Sounds like ham or MARS, southern US accent, intermittent one side only, copied ``come down for a fish fry``. Never heard any such QRM to RT before on 9850. Possibly harmonic from 160m band, 4 x 1970.2; or the PL-880 may be fooling me with an overload image (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANGOLA. 4949.7, RNA-Canal "A", Mulenvos, 2315-..., 08/5 texto; 34433, modulaÁ„o muito baixa; QRM pontual de traineiras galegas. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Galician trawlers

** ANGUILLA [non]. 11775, May 13 at 1356, no CBB, only a JBA carrier, presumably CNR1 jamming or VOA Chinese via Philippines (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

ANGUILLA/BRAZIL/NIGERIA, 6090v Around 0550 UT on May 14 noted a bad terrible mixture of three broadcaster on that channels and additional some interference buzz signal of 40 and 150 Hertz heterodynes, of about S=9 level.

6089.855, NIG, Radio Nigeria Kaduna
6089.962, BRA, R·dio Bandeirantes from S„o Paulo
6090.0 , AIA, Dr. Scott program in English, sermon, ID and phone number 1800 38 38 38 30 given at 0554 UT wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ANTARCTICA. 15476, LRA 36, Radio Nacional Arc·ngel San Gabirel, Base Esperanza, 2003-2020, 06-05, Spanish, female, comments, Latin American songs. 14321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500, Tecsun PL-880, Sony ICF SW7600G, Cable antenna, 8 meters and Degen 31MS active loop antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARGENTINA. 15344.86, RAE in Spanish 2116 May 10 with talks and discussions (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ARMENIA. RUSSIAN RADIO-ELECTRONIC FORCES TO CONDUCT DRILLS IN ARMENIAN MOUNTAINS
http://www.panorama.am/en/society/2015/05/12/ria-ru-russian-millitary/

Russian military radio-electronic warfare specialists will conduct radio countermeasures against a simulated enemy during drills in Armenian mountains, the press-office of Russiaís Southern Military District reported Tuesday, according to Sputnik.

"The training of new specialists in radio-electronic warfare started at the Russian military base of the Southern Military District in the Republic of Armenia. During the drills, new recruits will exercise countermeasures against radio networks of a simulated enemy," the report read.

During the three day exercise, participants will undergo a special course on Russian advanced military equipment, its capabilities and operating procedures in extreme conditions in the high mountain region, at an elevation of more than 2,000 meters above the sea level. Servicemen will also conduct practical tasks, including deployment of radio jamming stations and analysis of gathered information. Finally, they will practice radio countermeasures to disrupt simulated enemyís communication networks.

"During the drills, servicemen will search for over 2,000 cellular and satellite signals within a radius of 30 kilometers. They will have to locate and jam them with automatic jamming stations," the district said. Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, May 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. 1386 kHz, Sydney NSW - new MW transmitter been testing here for a couple of weeks now. Mostly running test tones or blank carrier. Unsure as to identity & power. Certainly seems weaker than the other 5 kW outlets, so could be of lower power (G.Wolfe Numeralla NSW Australia, May 12, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WRTH shows this would be the only Aussie on 1386! I suppose, bad news for Downunderites DXing on that frequency. There is a 1386 in

Auckland, and maybe Solomons (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. Melbourne X-Band update: Radio Haanji 1674 is new, officially opens April 13 but heavily promoting 24 hour service in Punjabi and Hindi as Melbourneís only 24 hour Indian station http://www.haanji.com.au and email info@haanji.com.au Facebook page also.

Surf FM is also reported to be currently using 1674, 12 noon Friday-12 noon Sundays [= 0200 UTs] but may just be for one more weekend. Previously Surf FM shared time with Jewish broadcaster Lion FM but that arrangement has clearly ended. Surf FM now has focus on its low power FM network.

1701, Islamic Voice Radio or IV Radio has a very low profile, no website, no email, no Facebook but recently was used as fundraising vehicle for refugees from Syria and does have internet streaming. Expect to hear variations on Arabic languages. Not to be confused with 1701 Radio Brisvaani in Brisbane which is Hindi language (David Ricquish via DX Dialog News Group via May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. 12085 // 9580, Friday May 8 at 1305-1355+, RA with `Keys to Music`, this week about Mozart`s last year; excellent commentary and music excerpts. 9580 as usual stronger but with more selective fading, so I preferred 12085.

[and non]. 12085, May 13 at 1351, R. Australia, `Daily Planet` of world music, but with rapid low-pitched pulsing, ChiCom jamming? Centered more like 12084. Or possibly OTH radar but not wideband. Or own transmitter out of order. Never heard this here before. RA // 12065 as always much weaker, but in the clear (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Reception of ABC Radio Australia in French, weak but audible
0900-0905 12065 SHP 100 kW / 355 deg to EaAs Mon-Fri; English Sat/Sun
No signal on parallel frequencies 9580 & 12085 to Pacific, video May 13:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/abc-radio-australia-in-french.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGESET)

** AUSTRALIA. ABC RADIO NIGHTLIFE PROGRAM, 25TH YEAR ANNIVERSARY [sic]

Networked across Australia, the Tony Delroy Night Life program celebrated 25 years last night.

One of the most interesting, enjoyable & enduring radio programs that the ABC has produced for late night listening from ABC Local radio &

broadcast from 10pm to 2am local time with the intelligent, friendly & entertaining host Tony Delroy.

For those that missed the 25 minute anniversary segment you can find the podcast here:
http://www.abc.net.au/nightlife/listen.htm

Listen to Tony Delroy's Nightlife / Media on demand - ABC

Listen to recent episodes of Tony Delroy's Nightlife radio program with media on demand from the Australian Broadcasting Corporation (ABC). [viz.:]

Tony Delroy's 25th Anniversary Show Celebration --- May 8, 2015

Tony Delroy celebrates 25 years on air in 2015. We decided to surprise him with a tribute to the amazing success he has had and the wonderful contribution he has made to both to the ABC and Radio in general. We promise he was truly surprised as we told him Rod Quinn was about to give an important update on the British election...and then we rolled tape. The tribute to Tony was produced by one of his Producers Carrie Soderberg. Download as MP3 (approximately 12,383,616 bytes):
http://mpegmedia.abc.net.au/local/nightlife/m2227579.mp3
(Ian, Australia, dxldyg via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. BREAKING NEWS ñ SECOND QUAKE ROCKS NEPAL

On April 25th, a massive earthquake rocked the nation of Nepal, taking several Reach Beyond partner stations off the air. On May 12, the unthinkable happened. A second quake hit of nearly the same magnitude and in basically the same region. Much of what was damaged in the first quake has now been destroyed.

Reach Beyond is working desperately to bring hope and healing in Jesusí name to the people of Harmi, a village where Reach Beyond has been working with one of our key partners since 2010.

Reach Beyond missionaries report on Hope for Harmi following second quake: Listen to the new Podcast Episode. Please, help us bring hope to the people of Harmi (RBA PR April 13 via DXLD)

How is it unthinkable? Large aftershox are typical (gh, DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA. Should you send an e-mail report to <office@hcjb.org.au> or <office@reachbeyond.org.au>, Reach Beyond Australia will also e-qsl within 2 or 3 days. Shelley Martin verified Kununurra 7375 and 12075 kHz for me next day, which is very encouraging indeed! (G¸nter Jacob, Passau, Germany, May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

** AUSTRALIA [non]. 9670, AUSTRALIA. Christian Vision (CVC)(?), tentative, 1253 to 1255. No understandable ID, an unknown language, SINFO=3,5,4,3,3,4, I heard a song and then a male announcer, the 1000A and the 687í horizontal array. One Internet source noted Darwin. 4/17 (John and Sandra Davis, Our listening post is located northeast of Columbus, Ohio in the USA. One inside antenna is a Windom which is 42í long. The other is an end fed antenna 16í long. The new name for my large antenna is the 687í horizontal array. I also use my wifeís HVU-8 amateur radio vertical antenna, because it works extremely well on the shortwave broadcast bands. Our receivers include, but are not limited to a number of R-390As, R-391s, a Mackay 5050A, a Racal 6790, and a Watkins-Johnson HF-1000A. The Mackay 5050A is out for repairs and hopefully it will be back soon. Our portable receivers include a Kaito 1103, a Radio Shack 440, and a Sangean 803A; NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

Please don`t use out of date sources. Darwin has been off the air for years. Current Aoki shows CVC The Voice Asia, via Uzbekistan, but canceled as of May 6: ``9670x The Voice Asia 1100-1400 1234567 Hindi 100 153 Tashkent UZB 4113N 06909E CVC a15-May 6`` (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also INDIA [non]

** AUSTRIA. 11955, AWR Arabic service signal via Austria relay site at 18-19 UT daily, women`s chorus noted at 1852 UT May 10th at S=9+45 dB -27 dBm signal powerhouse from ORS Moosbrunn relay site broadcast center (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, May 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

QSL: 15290, AWR Panjabi to India via Moosbrunn transmitter. Received back to my e-mail report (adventistmediacentre@gmail.com) a verification response, thanking me for my interest in their broadcast and to continue listening, on the reception report returned with confirmation. Reply in 10 days. V/s: Dr. Edison Samraj, Director (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, Canada, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BANGLADESH. 13580, Radio Bangladesh Betar, Dhaka, 1803-1812, escuchada el 12 de mayo de 2015 en inglÈs a locutora con presentaciÛn, canto del Cor`·n, locutor y locutora con comentarios, segmento musical, SINPO 34443 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia) 39.513356, -0.410268, Spain, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BELARUS. The problem with rejected e-mails to Larisa Su·rez has been solved, after months of attempts, the contact is re-established. Reason for the trouble has not been dissolved and my suspicions about political reasons may be wrong - or not! The present English language evening transmission is very difficult to hear on 11730 and 11930 kHz.

Bengt Ericson and I tried several times without success; the Dutch remote I can use catches Belarus early evenings but not later. Frequency choice may be OK for night owls in India and morning listening in the Far East, but no good for Europe (Ullmar Qvick, Sweden, SW Bulletin May 10 via DXLD)

** BELARUS. 11730, May 6, 2027, R. Belarus, Minsk, in English; good signal but barely audible modulation; the transmitter has a chronic problem; 45431 (JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Cabedelo [PB], Brazil, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

[and non]. BIELORUSIA, 11930, Radio Belarus, Minsk-Kalodzicy, 2015-2020, escuchada el 10 de mayo de 2015 en espaÒol a locutora con comentarios sobre Minsk, canciÛn melÛdica, en colisiÛn con Radio Riyadh, a las 2020 comienza emisiÛn en inglÈs, SINPO 43333 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), Spain, 39.513356, -0.410268, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BELARUS. The FM transmitter at Ushachy/RTPS Astravenec on 66.74 is radiating spurs every 19 kHz, heard as high as 66.797 [+3 x 19 kHz] at 1211 UT -- (Tim Bucknall, Congleton, UK, UK Director #KresySiberia, May 11, harmonics yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

So were you hearing these at Congleton, by sporadic E? or on remote receiver, or visiting the area, or quoting someone else? (gh, ibid.)

Yup, at home via E-skip, no remote receiver involved. If I'd realised the potential before the signal started fading, I bet they went even higher/lower. Modulation was so low I was able to listen in USB to the fundamental and the spurs (Tim Bucknall, ibid.)

70.76 BR2 Kanal Kultura (Belarus) --- is it an IP radiated at one of the sites or a new transmitter? if IP, I haven't been able to work out the maths. It`s in now ñ (Tim Bucknall, Congleton, UK, UK, Director #KresySiberia, 1652 UT May 14, harmonics yg via DXLD)

IP = intermodulation product? (gh, DXLD)

** BHUTAN [and non]. 6034.96, BBS (presumed), 1211-1303, May 13. Had not heard this for a month; clearly two stations mixing together; PBS Yunnan mostly YL with monologue, fortunately not playing much music. 1211-1225 OM with monologue, usual format of brief indigenous music at 1215, 1219 & 1222; from 1225 to 1230 more indigenous music/singing; 1230-1250 another OM with monologue; 1250-1258 with BBS's unique indigenous, repetitive music/singing/chanting; at 1303 still hearing two stations; had expected BBS to go off at 1300, but did not happen (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via

WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. BOLÕVIA, 3310, R. Mosoj Chaski, Cochabamba, 2245-2254, 09/5, quÌchua, texto, m˙sica Ìndia; 44332, QRM de estaÁ„o ponto a ponto.

4409, R. Eco, Reyes, 2300-2311, 08/5, castelhano, canÁıes populares, presumÏvelmenve, bolivianas; 34432.

5580, R. San JosÈ, S. JosÈ de Chiquitos, 2322-2329, 08/5, castelhano, texto; 34331, modulaÁ„o algo fraca, QRM de tr·fego em BLS.

5952.5, R. PÌo XII, Siglo XX, 2224-2234, 09/5, quÌchua, canÁıes Ìndias; 45433.

6025, R. Patria Nueva, La Paz, 2231-2240, 09/5, castelhano, an˙ncios comerciais e outros; 35332.

6134.85, R. Santa Cruz, St.™ Cruz de la Sierra, 2209-2216, 07/5, castelhano, notici·rio; 44333, QRM adjacente. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 4716.65, Radio Yatun Ayllu Yura, Yura, irregular operation or silent? - rlcw (Robert Wilkner, PÛmpano Beach, South Florida, circa May 8, Drake R8, Icom 746 Pro, NRD 525, DXSF 1981-2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Haven`t heard a carrier from it evenings for months (gh)

** BOLIVIA. Two interesting stations this morning May 13th, 2015 here in the middle of Europe: 6025, Radio Patria Nueva, La Paz, suffering splatters from 6020 kHz until 0400, then absolutely clear channel with a very nice signal. Long news at 0400, then a long ID including a Patria Nueva song. Suddenly off at 0410. No problem with Cubanese jammers on 6030 kHz although they were in operation. GOOD DX, (Karel Honzik, CZECHIA, HCDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

** BOLIVIA. 6134.82, 0004 3/5, Radio Santa Cruz, romantic songs, weak (fair at 0158) 73s (Giampi Bernardini, Avvenire - Redazione Internet, http://www.avvenire.it playdx yg via DXLD)

6134.82, Radio Santa Cruz, 2350 to 2357 clear ID as ìRadio Santa Cruzî, seems silent recently from 1000 to 1130? 7 May (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, Drake R8, Icom 746 Pro, NRD 525, DXSF 1981-2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6134.83 approx., May 10 at 0103.5, TC for 21 horas, 3 minutos, 10 segundos, from Radio Santa Cruz, ID with bells, poor signal vs noise level, but still no het from absent Aparecida making no apparition (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BOLIVIA. 6155.12, 0009 3/5, Radio Fides (presumed), Bolivia, low modulation, poor. 73s (Giampi Bernardini, Avvenire - Redazione Internet, http://www.avvenire.it playdx yg via DXLD)

** BONAIRE [and non]. TWR are planning to increase the output on 800 to 450 kW, to improve reception in Cuba and the northern parts of the South American continent. See the video on the Internet at
http://www.twr.org/powerup
for more information. News from Randy Stewart on IRCA Message Board via Theo Donnelly who adds:

ìSeems to me from memory that PJBís Tower of Power on 800 eventually led to 1YZ moving to 860 sometime in late 1965 or early 1966. I donít recall it happening while I was working there in ë64 and ë65. My 860 QSL is dated for reception in Sept ë66. My PJB QSL folder is dated for reception in mid-April 1966 so possibly the NZBC switch was early in the year. Andy McQueen and myself were invited to a pep talk of some sort when a bigwig from Bonaire visited Hamilton some time around those yearsî (Theo Donnelly via DX Dialog via May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

I have a QSL for 1YZ, Rotorua, on 800 kHz for reception on 19 May 1965 and a QSL for 1YZ on 860 for reception on 28 February 1967. My QSL for PJB on 800 kHz is for reception on 22 May 1965. So I guess there was probably a period of time when both 1YZ and PJB were co-channel on 800 kHz. My notes in my logbook says that reception of PJB was fair in Spanish and mixed with 5RM. No mention of 1YZ being co-channel (Dene Lynneberg via DX Dialog Yahoo Group via May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

** BRAZIL [and non]. In last monthís trail I reported a mystery Latin on 820 carrying what I thought was Brazilian evangelist David Miranda. Thanks to RealDX Yahoo Group member Rudolf Grimm in Brazil, I have confirmation that I heard Davidís son David Miranda Filho, whose voice and style is much like his father. The programme heard was in Portuguese, originating from Igreja Pentecostal Deus È Amor (IPDA), which is based in S„o Paulo, but there is no Brazilian carrying IPDA on that frequency.

ëMissionaryí David Miranda senior passed away in February. Rudolf says that David senior used to use a mix of Portuguese and Spanish, but it appears the son may only use Portuguese.

Another RealDX member, Henrik Klemetz, then pointed out that Radio Libertad, Lima, is relaying IPDAís La Voz de la LiberaciÛn on 820 at nights, and this has occasionally been heard in Europe. Given that I have always heard this station on good Peruvian nights I am treating

this as tentatively Radio Libertad (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), North Island, New Zealand, with Drake SPR4, AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD) See also PERU

** BRAZIL. BRASIL, 3365.1, R. Cultura, Araraquara SP, 2218-2225, 09/5, texto, aparentemente, propaganda religiosa; 25331.

4775, R. Congonhas, Congonhas MG, 2105-2117, 07/5, recitaÁ„o do terÁo; 35342. Melhor captaÁ„o em 10/5, 2150, programa de futebol.

4815, R. Dif.™, Londrina PR, 2137-2147, 07/5, canÁıes; 35332. Melhor sinal em 10/5, 2150, rubrica de propaganda religiosa

4824.98, R. CanÁ„o Nova, Cachoeira Paulista SP, 2140-2152, 07/5, canÁıes; 35332.

4845, R. Cultura do Amazonas, Manaus AM, 2308-2320, 08/5, notici·rio nacional A Voz do Brasil; 54444, QRM de CODAR.

4863.6, R. Alvorada, Londrina PR (*), 2144-..., 10/5, texto; 22431, QRM de CODAR. *) n„o a R. Verdes Florestas, por determinaÁ„o do azimute.

4875.1, R. Dif.™ de Roraima, Boa Vista RR, 2143-2154, 07/5, canÁıes; 44332, QRM de CODAR. Melhor sinal em 08/5, 2310.

4905, Nova R. RelÛgio, Rio de Jan.∫ RJ, 2139-..., 10/5, texto; 32431, QRM da China.

4915, R. Daqui, Goi,nia GO, 2101-2115, 07/5, canÁıes; 45433.

4925.2, R. EducaÁ„o Rural, TefÈ AM, 2311-2321, 08/5, propaganda religiosa; 45433, ·udio algo abafado.

4965, R. Alvorada, Parintins AM, 2148-2157, 07/5, canÁıes; 33331, QRM de estaÁ„o de ponto a ponto.

4985, R. Brasil Central, Goi,nia GO, 2145-2155, 07/5, an˙ncios v·rios, canÁıes; 45333. Melhor sinal em 10/5, 2145.

5939.7, R. Voz Mission·ria, Cambori˙ SC, 2153-2209, 07/5, canÁıes, notici·rio nacional A Voz do Brasil, ‡s 2200; 45433. // 9664.7.

5970, R. Itatiaia, Belo Horizonte MG, 2212-2230, 09/5, relato de jogo de futebol AtlÈtico x Palmeira, an˙ncios comerciais e outros; 35332.

6040.5, R. B2, Curitiba PR, 2202-2216, 07/5, A Voz do Brasil; 44433.

6080, R. Marumby (presumida, mas com quase plena certeza), Curitiba PR, 2204-2210, 07/5, A Voz do Brasil; 33431, QRM da China.

6090, R. Bandeirantes, S„o Paulo SP, 2206-2207, 097/5, an˙ncios comerciais; 44332, QRM de ANGUILLA, com portadora vazia, mas logo preenchida com ·udio, 1 minuto apÛs ter iniciado a observaÁ„o. A NIGERIA, normalmente em 6089.9, estava fora do ar.

9515, R. Marumby, Curitiba PR, 2214-2225, 07/5, notici·rio nacional A Voz do Brasil; 44433.

9564.1, SRDA, Curitiba PR, 1934-1946, 10/5, canÁıes; 34433, QRM adjacente; // 9585v fora do ar.

9565.06, idem, 2111-2121, 11/5, propaganda religiosa; 44433.

9629.98, R. Aparecida, Aparecida SP, programa Cantinho Sertanejo; 44433, QRM adjacente.

9630, idem, 2216-2227, 07/5, notici·rio nacional A Voz do Brasil; 45444.

9630, idem, 0925-desvanecimento total 1035, 09/5, informaÁıes da hora certa, texto; 15431.

9645.4, R. Bandeirantes, S„o Paulo SP, 2220-2229, 07/5, texto; 33442, QRM adjacente.

9664.7, R. Voz Mission·ria, Cambori˙ SC, 2218-2230, 07/5, notici·rio nacional A Voz do Brasil; 45444. // 5939.7.

9724.95, R. B2, Curitiba PR, 2225-2236, 07/5, notici·rio nacional A Voz do Brasil; 45444. Em 11/5, pelas 2110, emitiam em 9724.9.

9725, idem, 0920-desvanecimento total 0945, 08/5, retransmiss„o da R. Aparecida; 25331.

9819.6, R. 9 de Julho, S„o Paulo SP, 2227-2240, 07/5, notici·rio nacional A Voz do Brasil; 45444.

9819.6, idem, 0922-desvanecimento total 0940, 08/5, texto; 25331.

11735, R. Transmundial, St.™ M.™ RS, 1905-1922, 09/5, propaganda religiosa, canÁıes; 44433.

11855.2, R. Aparecida, Aparecida SP, 0923-desvanecimento total 1050, 09/5, canÁıes, infos. da hora certa, notici·rio das 1000; 25432.

11855.2, idem, 1910-1925, 09/5, canÁıes; 34433.

11895, R. Boa Vontade, Pt.∫ Alegre RS, 2106-21117, 10/5, propaganda religiosa, m˙sica; 35433.

15190.1, R. InconfidÍncia, Belo Horizonte MG, 1940-1955, 09/5, relato do jogo de futebol AmÈrica x BaÌa; 45444. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 4824.93, R. CanÁ„o Nova, 0827 end of ZY pop religious song, then rooster crowing, TC, and canned announcements to 0830 starting with possible ID/promo, mentions of Brasil, S„o Paulo. 0830-0833 live M announcer with mention of S„o Paulo, Santa Maria, F,tima, Corazon [sic], etc. 0833 rooster and TC again, then back to music. Live studio W announcer. 0838 W with mention of what sounded like ìÖradio telecomuniÁ„oÖ.î, and also mention of S„o Paulo, Brasil, and partial e-mail ìÖnova.comî. Found // to the (R. CanÁ„o Nova 96.3 FM) webstream at 0848 with îMariaî song. Webstream was 1:07 behind. Rooster and TC again and another song. 0851 W announcer talking with M guest giving many mentions of F,tima. Glad to finally ID this. S.F.= 163, A Index = 15, K Index = 6 with G2 geomagnetic storm. (13 May) (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 4885, Brasil, R·dio Clube do Par·, 0810, Portuguese talk, poor, used to be much better signal, April 29 (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4885, Radio Clube do Par·, BelÈm, 0140-0205, Soccer with "R·dio Clube do Par·" ID at 0156. Fair with QRM. Checked on internet and found their 690 AM outlet has a "R·dio Clube online/Escute Aqui!" button; it's a few seconds off from over the air and not very reliable. 5/7 (Russell Scotka, Madison, Connecticut, R390A, Icom 746 Pro, Tr 7, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. R·dio Cultura de Cuiab· Volta ‡s Ondas Tropicais de 5015 kHz --- Apos 8 meses de negociaÁ„o, Jo„o Dorileu do Grupo Gazeta, compra a R·dio Cultura de Cuiab· MT; uma das suas primeiras aÁıes foi de retornar as ondas tropicais ao ar de 5015 kHz, nesse dia 10 de maio, j· que nessa faixa o som da Cultura de Cuiab· vai a milhares de kilometros levando o progama A Voz da LibertaÁ„o da IPDA (Igreja Pentecostal Deus È Amor) ao interior de Mato Grosso e a v·rios paises.

Dorileu continua tambÈm ao plano de migraÁ„o do AM 710 kHz para o FM, j· que no centro das maiores cidades o AM n„o tem fidelidade ao audio e chegam com grandes quantidades de ruidos.

Por enquanto as Ondas tropicais continuam, j· ˙ltima escuta em ondas

tropicais de 5015 kHz foi em outubro de 2014

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wknTte5dD70

O retorno foi hoje, dez de maio, quando escutei o progama da SRDA de Cuiab· MT com Ûtimos sinais.

fotos em:
http://dxbrazilsw.blogspot.com.br/2015/05/radio-cultura-de-cuiaba-volta-as-ondas.html

http://www.dexismointernacional.com.br/radio-escuta/item/267-radio-cultura-de-cuiaba-volta-as-ondas-tropicais-de-5015-khz.html
(via Daniel Wyllyans, Nova Xavantina MT e O DOC Cuiaba MT, Hard-Core-DX mailing list May 10 via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

Two interesting stations this morning May 13th, 2015 here in the middle of Europe: 5015, R·dio Cultura de Cuiab· (reactivated), own ID at 0401 UT, IPDA IDs and A Voz da LibertaÁ„o mentioned. Still heard with a very weak signal at 0447, so probably a 24h operation. Weak. GOOD DX, (Karel Honzik, CZECHIA, May 13, HCDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

** BRAZIL [and non]. 5939.7, 2345 2/5, Voz Mission·ria, Cambori˘, Religious, talk about family, fair // 9664.69

6040.4, 0155 3/5, RB2, Curitiba, Holy Rosary, fair // 9725

11764.67, 2258 2/5, Super R. Deus È Amor, Curitiba, religious, ID, fair (in LSB to avoid Australia)

11765, 2301 2/5, Reach Beyond Australia, slow English, News, good (in USB to avoid Brazil) 73s (Giampi Bernardini, Avvenire - Redazione Internet, http://www.avvenire.it playdx yg via DXLD)

** BRAZIL. Radio Cultura FiladÈlfia, 6105 kHz, RecepÁ„o em 49 m (Hor·rio UT): 6105 kHz: R. Cultura FiladÈlfia, Foz do IguaÁu PR, 07/05 2025. Programa crist„o, OM: pregaÁ„o, ID R·dio Cultura FiladÈlfia, 6105 kHz, 49 m, Foz do IguaÁu PR; 35543

NOTA: Surpreendeu-me a qualidade de sinal desta estaÁ„o aqui por S„o Bernardo SP logo apÛs ‡s 17:00 h local, o que normalmente ocorre mais tarde. O sinal foi monitorado atÈ 2200 UT, quando deu inÌcio da Voz do Brasil, mantendo-se na mesma intensidade. O locutor anunciou receber correspondÍncias do interior de SP e tambÈm do interior do EspÌrito Santo. Rx: Sony ICF2001D; Antena: Loop de quadro para ondas curtas de 45 cm de diagonal, com amplificador de RF anexado, construÌdo pelo Rene Passold. 73, (Rudolf Grimm, radioescutas yg via WORLD OF RADIO

1773, DXLD)

** BRAZIL. 6180, R·dio Nacional da AmazÙnia, BrasÌlia, 0512-0540, 09-05, program "Madrugada Nacional", Brazilian songs. // 11780. 24322.

9645.4, R·dio Bandeirantes, S„o Paulo, 0523-0545, 09-05, Portuguese, comments. 24422. (MÈndez)

9664.7, Voz Mission·ria, Cambori˙, 0508-0531, 09-05, religious program, Portuguese. 23322. (MÈndez)

9725, R·dio RB2, Curitiba, 0504-0523, 09-05, religious program "Com a M„e Aparecida". 24322. (MÈndez)

9819.7, R·dio 9 de Julho, S„o Paulo, 0507-0535, 09-05, program "Com a M„e Aparecida". 24322. (MÈndez)

11815, R·dio Brasil Central, Goi,nia, 0502-0550, 09-05, program "Giro na Madrugada", Brazilian songs and comments, "2 y 23". 34433. (MÈndez)

15190, R·dio InconfidÍncia, Belo Horizonte, 0601-0614, 09-05, Portuguese, comments, Brazilian songs. 14321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500, Tecsun PL-880, Sony ICF SW7600G, Cable antenna, 8 meters and Degen 31MS active loop antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 9725-, May 7 at 0107, prayer in Brazuguese from RB2, best on LSB to avoid splash from 9730 Romania (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Date correct; overlooked in previous report

** BRAZIL. 9819.62, R 9/7 [Nove de Julho], with music, S2 only (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11815, 0559, Radio Brasil Central reactivated, good strength but clipped modulation with time check in Portuguese // 4985 poor 5/5 (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), North Island, New Zealand, with Drake SPR4, AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD) And no mention of spur from 11780v

11815, May 11 at 0507, R. Brasil Central barely audible, no chance vs the scratchy spur from 11780 RNB, matched as usual by another one around 11745 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 11815, May 13 at 0523, weak music presumably R. Brasil Central as always smashed by the crackling spur from 11780 BrasÌlia, matched by // 11745 with nothing to QRM at the moment (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BRAZIL. 15190, 5/11 0334, R. InconfidÍncia, Con[sic]-MG, in Portuguese; program Brazilian popular music, quality songs, ID, 0342 s/off, 25432 (JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Receivers: Degen 1103, Tecsun S-2000, Cabedelo [ParaÌba], Brazil, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** BULGARIA. PIRATE-EURO. Radio Spaceshuttle International, 13800 AM, 2052-2101*, 05-03-15. Just caught tail end of show. Reception fair to good, played tunes by Cumulus and Eila Korhonen [per Shazam]. Talk over music and ID at close (Chris Lobdell, Box 80146, Stoneham, MA 02180 USA, Receivers: Eton E1, NRD-545; Aerials: G5RV, 40 Meter Dipole, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

10 May, 13800, Spaceshuttle, 195[9?] with carrier then song sweet dreams from Eurythmics, ID by man Spaceline dot com, then 2004 with new ID clip. S3, 25233. Also 2054 with ëwoman in loveí Streisand? And S5 max (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BULGARIA. SECRETLAND, EU News Network and KBS World Radio via Secretbrod:
1845-1900 5900 SCB 100 kW / 306 deg WeEu English Sat EU News Network
1900-2000 5900 SCB 100 kW / 306 deg WeEu German Daily KBS World Radio
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/eu-news-network-and-kbs-world-radio-via.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 10, dxldyg via DXLD)

** BURMA [non]. 17720, AWR (Trincomalee) 1452-1459* 10 May. Poor-fair signal during their daily 1430-1500 Karen broadcast with hymns, chat, AWR ID/contact info (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** BURUNDI [non]. VOA has just added broadcasts to Burundi, as in a press release sent at 1548 UT May 11, and also here:
http://www.insidevoa.com/content/voa-boosts-broadcasts-to-burundi-as-civilians-flee-political-violence/2762849.html

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VOA BOOSTS BROADCASTS TO BURUNDI AS CIVILIANS FLEE POLITICAL VIOLENCE

Demonstrators in Bujumbura protesting President Nkurunziza's decision to seek a third term in office (AP Photo/Jerome Delay)

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 11, 2015 --Voice of America today began boosting broadcasts to Burundi where at least 14 people have been killed and more than 200 injured in protests against President Pierre Nkurunziza running for a third term.

VOA has additional shortwave and FM broadcasts in Kirundi, Kinyarwanda, Kiswahili, French, and English with an expanded call-in show, more reporting from the ground, and new drive-time newscasts.

"At this critical moment for democracy in Burundi, we are stepping up to keep our audiences informed," says VOA Director David Ensor. "Voters deserve to know what is going on with presidential elections just one month away."

The African Union and the United States say the Nkurunziza candidacy violates a regional peace deal that ended civil war in 2005. U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry says the president's move "flies directly in the face of the constitution of his country."

President Nkurunziza says he is exempt from the two-term limit because his first term was chosen by parliament.

VOA is one of the last remaining sources of news in Burundi after authorities blocked access to social media, closed Radio Publique Africane, and suspended relay transmissions for two other independently owned stations -- Bonesha FM and Isanganiro.

The Committee to Protect Journalists condemns this harassment and says the Nkurunziza government is "blatantly trying to gag" coverage of its opponents.

VOA is adding reporters in Burundi and Rwanda along with additional staff in Washington D.C., where its U.S. government-funded transmissions originate.

Daily broadcasts air on 95.2 FM and 94.9 FM in Bujumbura and on 104.3 FM in Kigali.

There are new VOA shortwave broadcasts from 0400 to 0530 UT and from 1930 to 2000 UT on 7350 kHz, 9815 kHz, and 11905 kHz; and from 1600 to 1630 UT on 13630 kHz, 15460 kHz, and 17530 kHz. [sic: see below]

"With thousands of Burundians fleeing to neighboring Rwanda, Tanzania and the Democratic Republic of Congo, VOA is committed to providing accurate and reliable news to this critical region," says Ensor (VOA PR via DXLD)

It even gives SW times and frequencies! But no sites:
0400-0530 & 1930-2000 on 7350, 9815, 11905
1600-1630 on 13630, 15460, 17530

13630 is already scheduled from 1630 in Portuguese via Botswana

15460 & 17530 already scheduled 1600-1630 Sats only as `Kin` language via S„o TomÈ. I didn`t get to checking these three until 1629 May 11, none heard, as propagation is certainly subnormal, and all supposed to continue past 1630 (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Another check May 12 for the newly expanded services of VOA to this country due to strife there: listed as 1600-1630 UT on three frequencies. At 1608, I can hear a poor signal on 17530 with hilife music; 15460 very poor seemingly //, both S„o TomÈ, and nothing audible on 13630 Botswana. Ivo Ivanov was monitoring the same semihour and says only 13630 was in Kinyarwanda [sic: surely Kirundi if for Burundi]; while 15460 & 17630 were in music, then English.

So their act is not together. Also the VOA PR gave the wrong frequencies for the 1930-2000 broadcast, NOT the same as at 0400-0530, but instead 9470, 11615 and 12140. I couldn`t hear any of those May 12 after 1930 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Extended shortwave schedule of Voice of America to Burundi asof May 12

0330-0400	7305	SAO	100 kW / 100 deg	Kinyarwanda as scheduled A15
0330-0400	7325	SAO	100 kW / 100 deg	Kinyarwanda as scheduled A15
0330-0400	11905	SAO	100 kW / 114 deg	Kinyarwanda as scheduled A15
0400-0430	7350	BOT	100 kW / 010 deg	Kinyarwanda ex 7305 BOT Sa/Su
0400-0430	9815	BOT	100 kW / 350 deg	Kinyarwanda ex 7325 SAO Sat/Sun
0400-0430	11905	SAO	100 kW / 114 deg	Kinyarwanda ex 11905 KWT Sat/Sun
0430-0505	7350	BOT	100 kW / 010 deg	Kinyarwanda, additional
0430-0505	9815	BOT	100 kW / 350 deg	Kinyarwanda, additional
0430-0505	11905	SAO	100 kW / 114 deg	Kinyarwanda, additional
0505-0530	7350	BOT	100 kW / 010 deg	English, additional transmission
0505-0530	9815	BOT	100 kW / 350 deg	English, additional transmission
0505-0530	11905	SAO	100 kW / 114 deg	English, additional transmission
1600-1630	13630	BOT	100 kW / 350 deg	Kinyarwanda, ex 11865 MEY
1600-1630	15460	SAO	100 kW / 100 deg	Kinyarwanda, ex Sats only
1600-1630	17530	SAO	100 kW / 100 deg	Kinyarwanda, ex Sats only
1830-1900	11865	SMG	250 kW / 170 deg	Kinyarwanda Mon-Fri as scheduled
1830-1900	13785	SAO	100 kW / 100 deg	Kinyarwanda Mon-Fri as scheduled
1930-2000	9470	SAO	100 kW / 114 deg	Kinyarwanda, not 7350 additional
1930-2000	11615	SAO	100 kW / 110 deg	Kinyarwanda, not 9815 additional
1930-2000	12140	BOT	100 kW / 350 deg	Kinyarwanda, not11905 additional

Two videos in Kinyarwanda and one in English on May 12. More videos later today.

http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/extended-shortwave-schedule-of-voice-of.html

Videos of 1600-1630 broadcast - 13630 BOT Kinyarwanda, 15460+17530 SAO open carrier, dead air, music, then English transmission // 15580 BOT
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/extended-shortwave-schedule-of-voice-of.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, May 12, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

Surely the broadcasts for Burundi specifically are in Kirundi, not Kinyarwanda. Obviously related but presumably distinct. VOA schedules until now have mixed them as ---/--- (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

Videos at 1830 and 1930
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/extended-shortwave-schedule-of-voice-of.html
(Ivo Ivanov, May 12, ibid.)

Voice of America in Kirundi to Burundi
1930-2000 on 9470 SAO 100 kW / 114 deg to SoAf, poor
1930-2000 on 11615 SAO 100 kW / 110 deg to SoAf, poor
1930-2000 on 12140 BOT 100 kW / 350 deg to SoAf, good
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VO8_fPErctk&feature=youtu.be
More videos on May 12
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/extended-shortwave-schedule-of-voice-of.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, May 13, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

Monitoring of Voice of America transmissions to Burundi May 13
0500-0505 7350 BOT 100 kW / 010 deg to SoAf Kirundi, no signal here
0500-0505 9815 BOT 100 kW / 350 deg to SoAf Kirundi as scheduled
0500-0505 11905 SAO 100 kW / 114 deg to SoAf Music, instead of Kirundi
0505-0530 7350 BOT 100 kW / 010 deg to SoAf English, no signal here
0505-0530 9815 BOT 100 kW / 350 deg to SoAf Music, instead of English
0505-0530 11905 SAO 100 kW / 114 deg to SoAf Music, instead of English
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/monitoring-of-voice-of-america.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, ibid.)

VOA ON THE FRONTLINES OF POLITICAL CRISIS IN BURUNDI
http://www.insidevoa.com/content/crisis-in-burundi-voa-has-it-covered/2766373.html

VOA Reporter Gabe Joselow in Bujumbura [caption]

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 13, 2015 -- Voice of America is leading international coverage of the political upheaval in Burundi with on-the-scene reporting and new programming in Kirundi, Kinyarwanda, French, Swahili, and English.

VOA East Africa Correspondent Gabe Joselow reported from the streets of Burundi's capital early Wednesday amid reports of a coup against President Pierre Nkurunziza. He filmed thousands of people cheering President Nkurunziza's apparent ouster, but also cautioned that their celebrations may be premature as the depth of military support for coup leader General Godefroid Niyombare was unclear.

VOA's Central Africa Service broadcast General Niyombare's statement claiming power and balanced it with an interview with President Nkurunziza's Interior Minister Edouard Nduwimana, who said the coup had failed and the president was on his way back to Bujumbura. VOA reporters in Burundi provided live updates on the standoff outside the national radio station along with a series of interviews with protesters.

The Central Africa Service broadcast White House Press Secretary Josh Earnest's call for all sides to end the violence and his pronouncement that the Obama administration continues to recognize President Nkurunziza. The Service also spoke to opposition politician Hussein Radjab and George Mason University professor Elavie Ndura while profiling General Niyombare and his objection to President Nkurunziza running for a third term.

VOA's Swahili Service reported from Dar es Salaam, where President Nkurunziza was scheduled to meet with regional leaders to discuss Burundi's political crisis. Swahili carried a statement from Tanzanian President Jakaya Kikwete condemning the coup and calling for a postponement of next month's vote. The service also interviewed Burundian opposition politician Agathon Rwasa, who backed removing the president but objected to military rule.

VOA's French-to-Africa Service preempted regular programming to focus on the crisis in Burundi. The English-language television show Africa 54 led with original Joselow reporting from Bujumbura and an on-set interview with Professor Ndura.

The political upheaval follows President Nkurunziza's decision to run for re-election, which his opponents say violates a regional peace accord limiting the president to two terms. President Nkurunziza says he is not bound by those limits because parliament voted him to his first term.

As clashes between police and anti-government protesters increased, VOA this week began boosting broadcasts to Burundi, adding shortwave and FM broadcasts in Kirundi, Kinyarwanda, Kiswahili, French, and English. VOA is now able to provide more reporting from the ground, new drive-time newscasts, and an expanded call-in show.

"The uncertainty of the situation in Burundi following the coup attempt makes accurate reporting even more essential," says VOA Director David Ensor. "Our coverage played a vital role before these events, and it is even more important now to help keep our audiences informed." (VOA PR May 13 via gh, DXLD)

VOA to Burundi in Kirundi at 0500 and in English at 0505 UT May 14 plus more videos on May 13
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/extended-shortwave-schedule-of-voice-of.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 14, dxldyg via DXLD)

LOS MILITARES GOLPISTAS INTENTAN ENTRAR EN LA RADIO NACIONAL DE BURUNDI

Los elementos de las Fuerzas Armadas de Burundi que intentan derrocar al presidente del paÌs est·n tratando de entrar en la sede
http://www.europapress.es/internacional/noticia-militares-golpistas-intentan-entrar-radio-nacional-burundi-20150513161155.html
(via JosÈ Miguel Romero R., May 14, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CAMEROON. Historical: Cameroon on SW (2012)
http://homepage.ntlworld.com/bdxcuk/cameroon.pdf
(Ian, May 7, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

BDXC-UK publication covers all Africa, country by country (gh, DXLD)

** CANADA [and non]. G¸nter Jacob in Passau, Germany wraps up with another of his QSL sagas. ìHow much is a QSL in your collection worth? If you ask me, to get my first QSL verifying Sackville, Canada, I paid postage of 0.50 German Marks, whereas my last Sackville QSL cost me more than 35 Ä; quite a difference! The oldest QSL card in my collection dates back to September 15, 1955 (CKCS, 15.32 Mc/s).

60 years ago, Radio Canadaís shortwave transmissions in German from Sackville encouraged me to become an SWL; they widened my horizon of a large country across the Atlantic and they aroused my enthusiasm as a listener to world-band radio and collector of QSL verifications. Over the years, Radio Canadaís popular German broadcasts ended; the QSL policy allowed one particular card per year, and other changes - not always nice - took place.

Ten years ago, Ian McFarland told me in a letter: ëI quite agree with your comments about RCI not being what it used to be, in the good old days when I worked there.í Yes, it was difficult to believe, but after 2004 I could not receive any RCI QSLs, no matter what I tried to do. In fact, I amassed 29 cards for programs from CRI, DW, ORF, R. Sweden,

NHK, RN, Vatican R. and Voice of Turkey, all relayed via Sackville in Canada, but Bill Westenhaver of the ëQSL Verification Departmentí ignored my requests.

To get a final QSL for Sackville, in March 2010 I reported on the reception of an Arabic program ëRadio Akhbar Mufrihaí on 12025 kHz for which HCJB Global in Colorado Springs is responsible. My registered letters arrived, as several people signed for receipt. Five years after that particular broadcast, Daniel Berger finally decided to send me an e-mail verie.

In fairness, I must add that my last report on ëRadio Akhbar Mufrihaí via Ascension on 9530 kHz was verified after three days.î (G¸nter Jacob, Passau, Germany, May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

** CHINA [and non]. 13980, CNR1, 5/6, 1130. M and W in Chinese, break from program. VG. Heard // on 12950 (Good). 73 and Good Listening .....! (Rick Barton, El Mirage AZ, Grundig Satellit 750, Outdoor Slinky, Radio Shack SW-2000629, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15840.000 / 13820.000 - SOH - not - some logs of 08-11 UT Friday, May 8, 2015 10:41 AM

CHINA [Taiwan]. 15840, Checked the remote SDR unit in Edmonton Alberta Canada in deep nighttime there around 08-10 UT May 8th and heard on 15840.000 kHz exact a very strong Chinese language program, with 11 kHz wide signal visible on the Perseus screen.

Registered is also a tiny 100 watt SOH broadcast on odd frequency 15840.259 kHz, according Aoki Nagoya list.

Similar technical characteristics very strong 500 kW outlets from China mainland in 09 UT slot also heard/seen on

KUN 15135 Malay
KAS 15335 Russian
URU 15525 Chinese
URU 15665 Russian

Similar 11 kHz wide CNR1 program relay noted on 13820.000 kHz in 09-10* s-off UT slot today; when checked 1004 UT seemingly tiny SOH? Taiwan program heard on odd frequency 13820.192 kHz.

11935, a 20 kHz wide signal of CRI Russian service to Russian Far Eastern rayons via Shijiazhuang #723 transmitter site, 500 kW signal at 1000-1257 UT.

Next channel, 11915.118, excellent audio from R Taiwan International,

Tainan, in Indonesian language section at 1022 UT, 14 kHz wide broadcast in peaks, S=9+10dB signal noted in Alberta Canada remote unit.

11825: The most TERRIBLE MIXTURE signal in 25 mb at this 10-11 UT time slot. Four to five broadcast signals mixed together, VoA Tinang PHL Chinese, and various China mainland jamming signals ahead, also echoed! and additionally RMI Okeechobee program underneath, latter talk on "bank world interests in this country....", also at 1018 UT about "activity of research foundation council in 1953 year ...". [BS] (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

17570, CNR1 (jammer) 1430+ 8 May. Mixing about 70/30 with VOA Tibetan. Also huge & alone on 15800 at 1437; good on both 13920 (vs. unheard SOH) & 13690 (vs. unheard VOA Chinese) until 1400* (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13790, MARIANA ISLANDS/Tinian, 5/8, 1540. Mix of talk in (listed) Tibetan and traditional vocal music. Over a jumble that could be either CRI via Kashi-Saibagh or CNR1 - both as jammer. Announcer made a cupla references to RFA. VG, and closing on the hour.

9360, CNR1, 5/9, 1120. M in Chinese, VG signal. Outstanding // 10960, 11430 (Excellent), 12345 (VG). 73 and Good Listening .....! (Rick Barton, El Mirage AZ, Grundig Satellit 750, Outdoor Slinky, Radio Shack SW-2000629, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also UNID

CNR1 jammers morning of May 9:

17170, May 9 at 1253, CNR1 jammer, poor (while CRI is inbooming on 17490, 17560, 17630, 17650, EAST TURKISTAN sites, q.v.)

19000, May 9 at 1258, CNR1 jammer, upon the Sat & Wed 12-13 jumparound frequency of RFA Tibetan via Kuwait

16775, May 9 at 1256, CNR1 jammer, very poor. New one on me, but in Aoki as one of a multitude of 0.1 kW SOH spoiler channels from Taiwan, and once reported from NZ at another hour in DXLD 15-06

16100, May 9 at 1257, CNR1 jammer, good

15250, May 9 at 1258, CNR1 jammers echo, and CCI, fair

15265, May 9 at 1258, CNR1 jammer, usual het with off-frequency Taiwan

14920, May 9 at 1259, CNR1 jammer, very good

14870, May 9 at 1259, CNR1 jammer, very good

13980, May 9 at 1259, CNR1 jammer, fair, timesignal and off 1300*.

I started too late before this hourtop to find any more lower (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13980, CNR1, 5/10, 1033. M and W in dialogue. VG. //s 12370 (Excellent), 12345 (VG), 11430 (Good), 11100 (Good), 10960 (Fair), 9360 (Fair), 9230 (Good).

9320, CNR1, 5/10, 1120. W in Chinese, Good. // 11100 (Poor), 12345 (VG), 12950 (VG), 13980 (VG). 73 and Good Listening .....! (Rick Barton, El Mirage AZ, Grundig Satellit 750, Outdoor Slinky, Radio Shack SW-2000629, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7200, CNR 1 jammer, 1214, 5/10/15, in Mandarin. Man and woman announcers, traditional Chinese music. Fair. Targeting Sound of Hope from Taiwan (not heard) // 7230 (Xíian, Fair), 7275 (Beijing, Fair), 7345 (Beijing, Poor), 7445 jammer (Fair ñ poor) (Mark Taylor, Madison, Wisconsin, Perseus, WinRadio g313e, Eton e1, Grunding Satellit 800 & G3, Sangean 909X with clear mod, Tecsun PL 660; 40 meters dipole, RF Systems Mk 2, Flextenna, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

CNR1 jammers morning of May 10:
12950, May 10 at 1255, CNR1 jammer, very poor
13980, May 10 at 1255, CNR1 jammer, very poor
13920, May 10 at 1255, CNR1 jammer, very poor
14920, May 10 at 1256, CNR1 jammer, good with flutter
16100, May 10 at 1257, CNR1 jammer, fair
18930, May 10 at 1258, CNR1 jammer, JBA, but checks out as the Sunday only 12-13 jumparound frequency of RFA Tibetan via Kuwait

Already at 1304 May 10, I am hearing the Sunday-evening serious music show, sounds like Peking Opera, from CNR1 on 9810, 9660, fair with flutter; 9680 under Taiwan CCI; 9500 very poor with flutter, CCI (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11745, 5/12 0250, USA, RFA, Kuwait, in Tibetan; YL talks; words: Barack Obama, Pakistan...; no interference by CNR1 this time, today; 0258 s/off, 35433 (JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Receivers: Degen 1103, Tecsun S-2000, Cabedelo [ParaÌba], Brazil, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

OMAN, 17790, BBC (Al Seela) 1340-1358* 12 May. Clear of the sporadic Chinese jammer today with English news, ID // 15310 (which was under (presumed) Chinese roaring jammer). (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA PL606/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CNR1 jammers morning of May 14:
13980, May 14 at 1253, CNR1 jammer, fair
12950, May 14 at 1254, CNR1 jammer, fair; none in the 14s
15970, May 14 at 1255, CNR1 jammer, poor
16100, May 14 at 1256, CNR1 jammer, poor
17705, May 14 at 1257, CNR1 jammer, usual mix with Saudi, target India
18980, May 14 at 1258, CNR1 jammer presumed, JBA signal on the scheduled Thu & Mon 12-13 frequency of RFA Tibetan via Kuwait (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. May 5:
China Radio International in English to WeEu and CeAf 1437 on 17630 Kashi and Bamako
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0pWSKAqbLfs&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD) So both echoing? (gh)

CHINA vs IRAN, China National Radio 1 vs Voice of Islamic Republic of Iran:
0000-2400 on 9800 UNIDentified tx site to EaAs Chinese CNR 1 emergency freq
1423-1520 on 9800 KAM 500 kW / 058 deg to CeAs Russian VIRI IRIB
1523-1620 on 9800 KAM 500 kW / 058 deg to CeAs Kazakh VIRI IRIB
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/china-national-radio-1-vs-voice-of.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, May 8, dxldyg via DXLD)

Why do you call it an emergency frequency? (gh, DXLD)

Temporary suspended frequencies of China National Radio 2:
2100-0100 7315 XIA 150 kW / non-dir EaAs Chinese CNR-2
0100-1100 11660 XIA 150 kW / non-dir EaAs Chinese CNR-2
1100-1600 7315 XIA 150 kW / non-dir EaAs Chinese CNR-2
2100-2400 9820 XIA 100 kW / 290 deg EaAs Chinese CNR-2
0000-1100 11845 XIA 150 kW / 290 deg EaAs Chinese CNR-2
1100-1600 9820 XIA 100 kW / 290 deg EaAs Chinese CNR-2

Chance for get Voice of Beibu Bay Radio, weak signal May 7
2300-0100 9820 NNN 015 kW / 225 deg EaAs Chinese
1000-1600 9820 NNN 015 kW / 225 deg EaAs Chinese
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/temporary-suspended-frequencies-of.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, May 8, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

I suspect that the transmitter operator are doing the yearly maintenance of the transmitter. China is in the tempered climate. They hardly can do it in the winter. Especially the renovation of the transmitter tower, or painting the tower itself. Hungary also doing transmitter tower maintenance during the late spring, summer or autumn. They don't want to wait when the snow will fall in the winter.
(Tibor Gaal, Hungary, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

May 7:
Voice of Beibu Bay Radio in Chinese to EaAs 1538 on 9820 Nanning
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ahNwOSIJ2-Y&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Beibu Bay Radio in Chinese to EaAs 1544 on 9820 Nanning
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=edyWiyhCucI&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Beibu Bay Radio in Chinese to EaAs 1555 on 9820 Nanning
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2p_kHP8nYMc&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Beibu Bay Radio in Chinese to EaAs 1557 on 9820 Nanning
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K7uo2rXfb5Y&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

CHINA vs CHINA, China Radio International vs People Broadcasting Station PBS
1000-1300 on 11935 SZG 500 kW / 037 deg to FERu Russian China Radio International
1000-1300 on 11935 LHA 100 kW / 290 deg to EaAs Tibetan PBS Xizang, unregistered
1300-1400 on 13670 KAS 500 kW / 308 deg to WeEu English China Radio International
1200-1230 on 13670 URU 050 kW / 230 deg to EaAs Uyghur PBS Xinjiang, as scheduled
1230-1402 on 13670 URU 050 kW / 230 deg to EaAs Uyghur PBS Xinjiang extended May 8
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/china-radio-international-vs-people.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, May 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA [non]. 9570 Albania & 9580 Cuba, May 10 at 0139, CRI English is concluding weekly `Sci-Tech Report` with item about a UAE-sponsored probe to Mars, 2020-2021y, marking the fiftieth anniversary of the UAE. Missed most of it, but I suppose this means China will be launching it. CRI said the cost was not disclosed (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CHINA vs EGYPT, China National Radio 1 vs Radio Cairo on May 10
0000-2400 9800 UNIDentified tx site EaAs Chinese CNR-1 emergency freq
2115-2245 9800 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg WeEu English Radio Cairo
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/china-national-radio-1-vs-radio-cairo.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 11, dxldyg via DXLD)

May 7:
CNR 1 emergency frequency to EaAs in Chinese 1402 on 9800 UNID tx
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OQUJBnNhBo0&feature=youtu.be

CNR 1 emergency frequency to EaAs in Chinese 1502 on 9800 UNID tx, over VIRI Russian
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vVftJmJbrx8&feature=youtu.be

CNR 1 emergency frequency to EaAs in Chinese 1530 on 9800 UNID tx, over VIRI Kazakh
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4W1mP43W7kg&feature=youtu.be

CNR 1 emergency frequency to EaAs in Chinese 1633 on 9800 UNID tx
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GmMO3D7hMTg&feature=youtu.be

CNR 1 emergency frequency to EaAs in Chinese 1831 on 9800 UNID tx
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c7ImPMe8lYk&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** CHINA. 7325, CRI Jinhua, 1103+, Commentary and Asian music in definite Japanese language program, almost local level, no chance for Wantok Light with this on April 26 (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CHINA. 9420, May 12 at 1220, music fair with flutter, seem Chinese rather than Greek. Aoki shows two Chinese stations on 9420 at this hour besides Greece: CNR13 in Uyghur via Lingshi 725 site and CNR6 in Mandarin via Beijing 491 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** COLOMBIA. The stations listed in the WRTH as SeÒal Radio Colombia (550, 560, 570, 580, 610 and 680. BC) were rebranded on 6 April as ìRadio Nacional de Colombiaî. The slogan ìSomos la radio p˙blicaî is also used (Henrik Klemetz, via RealDX Yahoo Group via May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

** COLOMBIA. 5910, Alcarav·n Radio/La Voz de tu Conciencia, 0510-0546, 09-05, Latina American songs, Spanish, religious comments. 24322 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500, Tecsun PL-880, Sony ICF SW7600G, Cable antenna, 8 meters and Degen 31MS active loop antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Henrik Klemetz har gjort ett inl%gg i DX-LISTENERS' CLUB:

En amerikanskfˆdd mission%r i Colombia med norska fˆrf%der bÂde pÂ sin fars och mors sida, k%nd av DX-arna som mannen bakom de colombianska kortvÂgsfrekvenserna 5910 och 6010, och omskriven i media pÂ sista tiden, ger h%r en intervju med journalisten Herbin Hoyos Medina pÂ Caracol Radio. BÂdas fotografier finns pÂ sid. 25 och 26 i min artikel i Passport to World Band Radio, Ârg. 2009, "Colombia: Bandits, Ballads and Broadcasts".

In English: Henrik Klemetz has made a post in DX LISTENERS' CLUB

A US-born missionary in Colombia with Norwegian ancestors on both his father's and mother's side, known by the DX-ers as the man behind the Colombian shortwave frequencies 5910 and 6010, and featured in the media of late, gives an interview with the journalist Herbin Hoyos Medina on Caracol radio. Both their photographs are on the page. 25 and 26 of my article in the Passport to World Band Radio, issue 2009, "Colombia: Bandits, Ballads and Broadcasts".

Audio Colombia Universal 14 de marzo de 2015 Parte I --- http://www.caracol.com.co/playermini.aspx?id=2673245

Martin Stendall un ciudadano norteamericano fue mostrado por la policÌa como alias 'El Gringo (Henrik Klemetz via DX Listeners Club, via SW Bulletin May 10, translated by editor Thomas Nilsson for DX LISTENING DIGEST)

6010+, May 14 at 0540, music from HJDH, while 5910v, the other HJDH, is off. Via Henrik Klemetz, DXLC via SW Bulletin, here`s a CARACOL show from March 14, this year, including an interview with Martin Stendall, founder of the stations (in Spanish), starting at 2:30 into the 50-minute audio and lasting the rest of it:
http://www.caracol.com.co/playermini.aspx?id=2673245
He tells a long story of how he got into the Mish biz, his abduxion by the FARC years ago., etc. etc. Break for ads and news circa :24-:27 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CONGO DR. 5066.3, 1740-1743* 2/5, Radio Candip, Congo. Dem. Fair, Music, nice signal! 73s (Giampi Bernardini, Avvenire - Redazione Internet, http://www.avvenire.it playdx yg via DXLD)

CONGO-Kinshasa, 5066.3, R. TÈlÈ Candip, Bunia, 1821-1902, 11/5, francÍs, canÁıes e m˙sica, an˙ncios informativos v·rios; 45433, sinal sobremodulado. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CRIMEA. From September in the Crimea will begin broadcasting ìVezhlovoe radioî ("Polite radio")

Since September, will begin broadcasting in Crimea created on the basis of radio ìNashe Podmoskovjeî ("Our Moscow") radio station "Radio polite."

"Our Moscow" began broadcasting in Kerch and Feodosia in early May. As reported, the radio station owned by the government of the Moscow region and, together with the TV channel "360 Moscow" is a holding company "Television suburbs."

"The format of the radio station near Moscow for the Crimean weird. We

started looking for a format that, on the one hand, will be relevant to residents of the Crimea, and for holidaymakers from the suburbs, "-commented on the creation of" politeness radio "Ruben Oganesov minister, adding that this will be music to the news of both regions: the Crimea, and the Moscow region.

First radio, is scheduled to start broadcasting in Kerch and Theodosia, eventually covering the entire territory of Crimea. novostimo.ru (via OnAir.ru via Rus DX 10 May via DXLD)

** CUBA. 970, 1028, My unidentified Cuban of May 3 was definitely identified as R Guam·, Los Palacios, running // with 990 R Guam·, Pinar del Rio, May 4 (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 1570 MW, Enciclopedia (presumed), las Tunas, 0300, May 01, Spanish news read by man and lady, often mentioned ìLa Habanaî and ìCubaî, reception with rod antenna, 23432 (Rumen Pankov, Sofia, Bulgaria, DSWCI DX Window May 13 via DXLD)

?? WRTH lists no Cubans on 1570 (gh, DXLD)

** CUBA. 4765, Radio Progreso, 0320 rock ìFly Like An Eagleî by Steve Miller Band; 0330 3 May. Parallel:
900, Radio Progreso, Cacocum, HolguÌn -
750, Radio Progreso, Palmira, Cienfuegos -
730, Radio Progreso, La Fe, Isla de la Juventud - or - Camag¸ey
920, Radio Progreso, Pilon, Granma - 3 May (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, Drake R8, Icom 746 Pro, NRD 525, DXSF 1981-2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 5025.0, Exciting Cuban music heard on Radio Rebelde program, via Quivic·n Bejucal old USSR relay site, S=9+10dB or -62dBm strength (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, a mail of some morning 0800-0835 UT notes on Wed May 13 logged on remote unit in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. 13740, May 9 at 1328, RHC with canned multi-lingual IDs. Listen more carefully than I did to the whole thing once it appear again without notice: if there are two incomprehensible native languages, one must be long-defunct GuaranÌ from RHC.

11840, May 10 at 0113, no modulation from RHC, but instead rapid pulsing audible from 11835 to 11863 where muscled aside by 11870 WEWN. At first I wondered if OTH radar, but more likely a very out of order RHC transmitter.

15730, May 14 at 1258, no signal from RHC here, but on 15370, where at

1259 canned Spanish announcement says 15370 is now on until 15, as 9550 & 9850 are being left. Retune to 15730 at *1300, now it`s on. The thing is, scheduled the other way around, 15730 at 11-15, 15370 at 13-15 only. Also on weaker // 15230 thruout. Lysdexic ops?

If you reach an RHC frequency schedule via the /eo Esperanto page, it`s still the old expired B-14 one. Go back to the main Spanish homepage and find A-15 in pdf on a drop-down under Interesantes (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** CUBA. Need an ID on Channel 2 --- I'm almost certain this is Tele Rebelde in Havana. Can someone verify? I received it today at 12:30 pm eastern time. Video can be found here:
http://youtu.be/MfxPMKqGCAk
Click image for larger version. Name: Channel 2.jpg Views: 10 Size: 561.9 KB ID: 16787

At the time I received it, the map looked like this...
http://forums.wtfda.org/attachment.php?attachmentid=16785&d=1431624434&thumb=1
Click image for larger version. Name: E-Skip.jpg Views: 9; Size: 143.2 KB; ID: 16785 (Crazy Monkey, Akron OH, May 14, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

That looks like some sort of tennis match. And guess what's on the cartelera for today:

"12.50: TENIS INTERNACIONAL: ABIERTO DE BARCELONA - D. Ferrer vs P. Andujan" [sic, should be Andujar]

Even more impressive is that this tennis tournament took place from April 20 to 26, and the only country I can think of where it would not be telecast live and day-and-date is Cuba. It's sports and Cuba, this better be Tele Rebelde from La Habana. The bug UR is a Fox Sports bug and it appears they did indeed broadcast this tournament in Latin America.

If you ever need to cross-check against Cuban TV check the cartelera (program schedule) hosted at juventudrebelde.cu
http://www.juventudrebelde.cu/cartelera/television/cubavision/

You'll find schedules for all the analog networks, though Tele Rebelde, Canal Educativo and CubavisiÛn are the only ones on low-VHF. (Raymie Humbert, AZ, ibid.)

** CUBA [non]. Radio clandestine ‡ Issoudun
http://www.humanite.fr/radio-clandestine-issoudun-573650
JosÈ Fort, Lundi, 11 Mai, 2015, L'HumanitÈ

Le voyage de FranÁois Hollande ‡ Cuba sera-t-il líoccasion de mettre

fin ‡ líaccueil sur le sol franÁais de la radio antigouvernementale cubaine ´Radio Rep˙blicaª, porte-voix díun groupe Ètabli ‡ Miami, le ´Directoire dÈmocratique cubainª, financÈ par la ´Fondation nationale pour la dÈmocratieª, appendice de la CIA??

Cette radio Èmet depuis le centre ondes courtes díIssoudun, dans líIndre, gÈrÈ par TDF. Comment expliquer quíune radio installÈe ‡ Miami ‡ quelques encablures de Cuba utilise des installations franÁaises ÈloignÈes de plusieurs milliers de kilomËtres?? La puissance des structures de TDF Issoudun permet díarroser en ondes le monde entier, contournant les brouillages Èventuels.

Anciennement TÈlÈdiffusion de France, líactionnariat de TDF comprend Texas Pacific Group, aujourdíhui TPG Capital (42%), la Caisse des dÈpÙts et consignations (24%), Ardian (ex-Axa, 18%) et Charterhouse Capital Partners (14%). TPG Capital est líun des plus importants fonds díinvestissement nord-amÈricains. Parmi ses principaux conseillers et reprÈsentants en France figure Bernard Attali (frËre jumeau de Jacques). Cíest TPG Capital qui a obtenu de TDF líouverture díun espace pour la radio antigouvernementale cubaine, le contrat ayant ÈtÈ obligatoirement validÈ par un reprÈsentant de lí…tat. Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, May 11, dxldyg via DXLD)

Interesting background, if true, from the Commie newspaper in France, about how R Rep˙blica came to be relayed by TDF France site --- even after RMI took over the Okeechobee site; and TDF is apparently mostly owned by American investors (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EAST TURKISTAN. 17615, May 9 at 0457, open carrier fair with flutter, 0500 IS and CRI signing on in German only --- most transmissions start with an ID in Chinese, but not this one, of two hours. 17615 via Urumqi, while weaker // 17720 is via Kashgar. MUF now holding up over night path but not so dark as in winter (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** EAST TURKISTAN [and non]. CHINA, Updated schedule of PBS Xinjiang, e.g. 1230-1400 NF 13670, ex 7205
0300-1400 on 13670*URU 100 kW / 230 deg to EaAs Uyghur, ex 0300-1230
1400-1800 on 7205 URU 100 kW / 230 deg to EaAs Uyghur, ex 1230-1800
2300-0300 on 7205 URU 100 kW / 230 deg to EaAs Uyghur, unchanged
* co-ch 1300-1400 China Radio International in English to WeEu
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/updated-schedule-of-pbs-xinjiang-in.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, May 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

** EAST TURKISTAN. CHINA, Additional time and frequencies of China Domestic Services -

China National Radio (CNR) and People Broadcasting Station (PBS):

2300-0300 on 11770 URU 050 kW / 230 deg to EaAs Chinese PBS Xinjiang
2300-0300 on 11885 URU 050 kW / 230 deg to EaAs Uyghur PBS Xinjiang
0000-2400 on 9800 UNIDentified tx site to EaAs Chinese CNR-1
emergency freq

1200-1800 on 11770 URU 050 kW / 230 deg to EaAs Chinese PBS Xinjiang
1200-1800 on 11885 URU 050 kW / 230 deg to EaAs Uyghur PBS Xinjiang
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/additional-time-and-frequencies-of-cnr.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD) By what definition is 9800 an ``emergency``? (gh, DXLD)

** EGYPT. Test broadcast of Radio Cairo, unregistered frequency May 5
1000-1055 NF 9965.2 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg NEAm Arabic Music, ex 9964.6
1055-1110 NF 9964.6 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg NEAm Arabic Music, ex 9965.2
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/test-broadcast-of-radio-cairo-on.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD)

Since it is unregistered, how do you know it is on a 325 degree antenna, or even that it is Abis instead of Abu Zabaal? (gh, DXLD)

11935, May 9 at 0059, R. Cairo, suptorted Spanish, good level but weaker than // 12070 as always suptorted. // 9315 is usually less distorted, but considerably suptorted this time.

13850, May 9 at 0455, R. Cairo good signal but suptorted Arabic.

11935 // 12070, May 10 at 0108, R. Cairo suptorted Spanish is again equal on these two frequencies, but /// 9315 is absent.

9965, May 10 at 0134, R. Cairo is very strong and splattering upon weaker 9975 KVOH, especially during music, which to my astonishment sounds like an Arabic variation on ``Old McDonald Had a Farm`` complete with barnyard SFX; then into something a bit more Egyptian. Signal has some distortion, not undermodulated, and the usual whine in the background (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9490.024, Radio Cairo, Italian service - supposedly -, totally distorted audio content noted at 1837 UT on May 10th, and undermodulated too, but very strong carrier powerhouse of S=9+45dB! (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, May 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9665, Cairo? 2056 May 10 in Arabic with talks and garbled audio, S20 (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

CHINA vs EGYPT, China National Radio 1 vs Radio Cairo on May 10
0000-2400 9800 UNIDentified site to EaAs Chinese CNR-1 emergency freq

2115-2245 9800 ABS 200 kW / 325 deg to WeEu English Radio Cairo
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/china-national-radio-1-vs-radio-cairo.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 11, dxldyg via DXLD)

Observation of Radio Cairo on May 13. All transmissions are via transmitters in Abis. The transmitters in Abu Zaabal are off at present except probably only 1. Many of these frequencies have severe technical problems such as extreme distortion, low modulation or undermodulation.
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/observation-of-radio-cairo-on-may-13.html
Full summer A-15 of Radio Cairo may be found here:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/radio-cairo.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 14, dxldyg via DXLD)

** EGYPT. Radio Cairo on Livestream.com --- News from a friend at Radio Cairo, Mayar Adel. Prepare to login or get your own account or something.
http://livestream.com/accounts/13376843
(Clara Listensprechen, May 14, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

``Mayar Adel, Login to Livestream to Watch this Event Ad-Free --- A Livestream account is required to watch Radio cairo to north America``

Not really live, but apparently a daily upload of the 2300-2430 UT English broadcast to North America, which is also on SW 9965; unofficial, on her own initiative? (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ERITREA. 7175, 1820, VOBME Asmara reactivated, very strong 12/3 with Horn of Africa vocals till closing announcements and anthem at 1830. First noted 6 March at 0422 when fair signal.

7185, 0436, VOBME Asmara fair-good with minor ham QRM, news in local dialect, 3 April (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), North Island, New Zealand, with Drake SPR4, AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

** ERITREA [non]. 15245, EFND, Eritrean Forum-Medrek, Issoudun, 1705-1710, escuchada el 9 de mayo de 2015 en tigriÒa a locutor con comentarios y referencias a ìSudaniî, segmento musical y locutora con comentarios, SINPO 34443. Web: http://forumeritrea.org/ se pueden escuchar los programas de dÌas anteriores en tigriÒa y ·rabe (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia) 39.513356, -0.410268, EspaÒa, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10 m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING

DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA. 7235.168, Probably program of Voice of Peace and Democracy, registered in Tigre language, as usual UNSTABLE transmitter outlet, jumps some 5 Hertz "up and down", sometimes hops 20 Hertz lower sideband to 7235.148 kHz. Logged at 1810 UT on May 10 (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, May 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ETHIOPIA [and non]. FRANCE, Poor reception of Radio Risala International on May 8
1830-1900 NF 21620 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf Oromo Fri, ex 15165
Transmissions are jammed by Ethiopia with white noise digital jamming
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/poor-reception-of-radio-risala.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD)

** ETHIOPIA [and non]. FRANCE, Oromo Voice Radio (Raadiyoo Sagalee Oromoo) on May 11 with strong signal and weak white noise digital jamming by Ethiopia:
1615-1630 on 17850 ISS 250 kW / 130 deg to EaAf English Mon, videos
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/oromo-voice-radio-in-english-on-may-11.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

** FRANCE. Quelques infos: A propos de France Info 1557 kHz, il semble que la frÈquence ne sera PAS arrÍtÈe. Voici la rÈponse que jíai eu de la part de MCR: ìMonsieur, A ce jour Radio France n'a pas envisagÈ d'arrÍter la diffusion de France Info en ondes moyennes depuis le Col de la Madone. Bien ‡ vousî
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Monte-Carlo Radiodiffusion, 10-12 Quai Antoine Ier , MC-98000 MONACO
Tel: +377 97 97 47 00 http://www.mcr.mc

In a personal message got from the chief engineer of Monte-Carlo Radiodiffusion they reply no plans are expected to close the MW 1557 from Col de la Madone (CHRISTIAN GHIBAUDO, NICE-FRANCE, Play DX Electronic 10 May via DXLD)

MW Nice 1557 kHz 600/300 kW (Col de la Madone location, north of Monaco within France Alpes mountains) (Wolfgang B¸schel, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** FRANCE. Unscheduled transmission of RFI on unregistered frequency
1245-1320 17850 ISS 500 kW / 153 deg to CeAf open carrier / dead air
1320-1350 17850 ISS 500 kW / 153 deg to CeAf French, 3 videos May 12
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/unscheduled-transmission-of-radio.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

Radio France International on odd 17849.9 kHz
0600-0700 on 17850vISS 500 kW / 150 deg to WCAf French
0700-0900 on 17850vISS 500 kW / 160 deg to CeAf French
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-france-international-on-odd.html
Full summer A-15 of Radio France International is here
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/04/radio-france-international.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, May 14, dxldyg via DXLD)

** FRANCE. QSL: 15315, Voice of Gospel / Radio Sawtu Linjilia, Fulfude/Hausa o Africa via Issoudun. Full data (with site, power and azimuth) new media broadcast building with large rotable quad-like antenna. This for a second follow-up for my August 2014 report. 21 days after posting this report. V/s: Michael Putz (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, Canada, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GERMANY. e-QSL in from DP07 Seefunk from Reiner Dietzel in 1 day. Filled out an actual hard-copy QSL, then sent a picture of it as an attachment to his e-mail. (14 May) (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD) WTFK?

** GERMANY. QSL: 15150, AWR ñ India, Punjabi via Nauen Transmitter. Recíed a full data (with site) AWR ñ The Voice of Hope QSL card, this for a report sent to adventistmediacentre@gmail.com but the QSL reply came from Indianapolis. Reply in 14 days. V/S; Dr.Adrain Peterson DX Editor (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, Canada, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GOA. INDIA, 7250, All India Radio, Panaji, 1821-1824, escuchada el 12 de mayo de 2015 en malayo con emisiÛn de m˙sica hind˙, con la emisiÛn se aprecia un fuerte ruido que hace molesto la audiciÛn, SINPO 42442 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia) 39.513356, -0.410268, Spain, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) like DRM???? (gh)

** GREECE [and non]. ERT Open is on air May 8 after 1515 UT on 9420 and 15630. But on 15630 from 1600 UT will be also Radio Ranginkaman, Radio Rainbow via Secretbrod // 7575 secret site -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See IRAN [non]

ERT Open / ERT3 again on air May 8, two frequencies
from 1500 9420*AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
from 1500 9935 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek or 11645 are off
from 1500 15630#AVL 100 kW / 105 deg to SoAs Greek, instead of 15650

from 1800 9420*AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu Greek
from 1800 9935 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek or 11645 are off
from 1800 15650 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu Greek
* co-ch Voice of Islamic Republic of Iran in Arabic
* co-ch China National Radio 13 in Uyghur till 1805

co-ch Radio Ranginkaman-Rainbow in Farsi 1600-1630
co-ch Voice of America in Afar Oromo 1730-1800
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/ert-open-ert-3-again-on-air-may-8.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015,
via DXLD)

9420, May 9 at 0105, ERT is on with Greek talk and rock music, good
signal and // poor 15650.

As I mention on WORLD OF RADIO 1772, this story says,
``The Lost Signal of Democracy`` (awarded at PriMed Festival, France)
http://www.smallplanet.gr/en/documentaries/chronologically/2013-2014/337-the-lost-signal-of-democracy

``Within five hours, on the evening of June 11, 2013, the Greek Prime
Minister Antonis Samaras turned off the switches of the national
public broadcaster ERT, thus violently and suddenly leaving all Greeks
with a black screen. It was an unprecedented event in the democratic
world, which shocked Greek citizens and caused a fierce international
outrage.

23 months later, the newly-elected government led by Alexis Tsipras
decides to re-open ERT and to re-employ all of its staff by ìputting
an end to injusticeî, as declared by government officials. The new ERT
will start broadcasting on the 11th of May.``

The film promoted is all about television, but perhaps May 11 will
also be a relaunch day for ERT radio, even shortwave?

Zacharias Liangas forwards this in google translation:

https://translate.google.com/translate?
hl=en&sl=el&tl=en&u=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.periodista.gr%2Fmedias%2Fitem%2F17470.htm

On May 11 opens the new ERT!

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Kostas Poulakida, Monday, 04 May 2015 10:04

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ND and PASOK closed). According to reports, there will be independent
broadcasting sector for expatriates with the television channel ERT
World and radios Friendship and Voice of Greece`` (Glenn Hauser, OK,

DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11/5 ERT starts back !!
https://translate.google.com/translate?
hl=en&sl=el&tl=en&u=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.periodista.gr%2Fmedias%2Fitem%2F17470.htm

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As has emphasized the State Minister Nikos Pappas, "our intention is to restore the people's trust and relationship of society towards the public broadcaster."

In this regard already began the process of establishing the Board. From Thursday posted an open call for proposals to fill the Chair of the Board positions of CEO and three other Board members ERT. The process ends tomorrow, so the Board to establish a body and immediately select persons who will staff the new organization.

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The new administration should immediately find the faces and voices that express the new ERT, leaving behind the period of Memoranda, and outdated perceptions. Certainly the work will be done with limited resources as ERT continues to pay part of the budget of the state public debt - another element along with that was profitable, which "forget" the celebrator "black" .. .

The next stage will be the restructuring of the organization and the work of the ERT by streamlining structures and allocation of personnel, and integrating functions of the period of self-organization that proved to have worked in practice.
SOURCE: http://avgi.gr (via Zacharias Liangas, May 9, DXLD)

IN THEORY, ERT WORKERS GO BACK TO WORK TODAY
The SWLing Post May 11, 2015
http://swling.com/blog/2015/05/in-theory-ert-workers-go-back-to-work-today/

Many thanks to SWLing Post contributor Ayar, who writes:

``According to many Greek news sources, the workers of ERT will go back to work tomorrow to restart ERT and take over from NERIT, even though there is no explicit permission from the government for them to do so!

This was a decision taken today by the ERT workers trade union ìPOSPERTî, who asked the workers to go back to work and start broadcasting from ERT HQ. (Here is the original decision published on their website translated from Greek by Google).

An interesting observation: The domain ìert.grî no longer redirects the visitor to ìnerit.grì, and the servers connected to the ert.gr domains (dns1.papaki.gr, ns2.papaki.gr, ns120.papaki.gr) are now showing error and test pages from their active servers. Just this morning, they were all inactive! It seems that somebody is working on the servers to re-establish the ERT website.

It will be interesting to see what will happen!``

Indeed, it will! Let us know of any updates. Iíll tune to the ERT Open relay on 9420 this evening to see if IDs have changed. Again, many thanks for the report, Ayar! Posted by: (Mike Terry, May 11, dxldyg via DXLD)

ERT Open in Greek at 0900 UT on May 11, but nothing after 1000:
from 0900 on 9420 AVL 170 kW / 323 deg to WeEu
from 0900 on 11645 AVL 100 kW / 182 deg to NoAf is off in A-15??
from 0900 on 15630 AVL 100 kW / 285 deg to WeEu, co-ch VIRI Dari
But no signal in the next day, May 12 in 0500-0900 UT time slot.
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/ert-open-in-greek-at-0900utc-on-may-11.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

Re ERT, nothing heard on nighttime at 2300 UT May 11 from Avlis so far. I guess the 3rd shortwave transmitter unit at Avlis of 250 kW need to REPAIR instantly. The billions EURos from EU Brussels to new ERT budget staff not arrived yet? I look forward to see ERT Greek TV program via Astra and/or Hotbird satellites soon. wb df5sx (Wolfgang B¸schel, May 11, dxldyg via DXLD)

BREAKING NEWS FROM ERT !!! use google translation to read in English

FORMER EMPLOYEES OF ERT NOW IN THE RADIO BUILDING
http://www.radiofono.gr/node/15273

New president (Tsaknis)and assistant Mr Tagmatarhis (also former president of ERT)
http://www.radiofono.gr/node/15280

But there are many complaints for this:
http://www.radiofono.gr/node/15274

New station to be determined by the state: police radio
http://www.radiofono.gr/node/15278
(via Zacharias Liangas, May 12, HCDX via DXLD)

ERT EMPLOYEES BACK IN BUILDING --- Translated by Bing:

12 May 2015 --- A great day as we saw today on free radio and television while completing 23 months since he dropped the black on the screens of the Greek people. At 9 in the morning, our colleagues from Athens but also many regional NRA returned to their base in Radiomegaro of Agia Paraskevi, in an atmosphere of joy, of emotion and vindication of their race polyminoy. The fact is that the placement of the new administration immediately after the passing of the Bill has caused nervousness in our large family.
More here:
http://www.radiofono.gr/node/15273
Posted by: (Mike Terry, dxldyg via DXLD)

I hope the metal thieves too return the copper lines also at ERT Rhodes 1260 kHz mediumwave center, as well as Athens ERT 666 and 981 kHz medium wave will be back on air soon. And Crete Chania 1512v kHz opens again (Wolfgang B¸schel, May 13, dxldyg via DXLD)

Yet ERT shortwave transmissions are as sporadic as ever (Glenn Hauser, May 14, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUAM. May 5:
KTWR Guam emergency broadcast to Nepal in English 1427 on 15280 Agana
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PX_b5mmeHfk&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** GUAM. 9800, AWR-Cantonese via KSDA, Agat. May 10 *1230-1300*; Cantonese with opening English ID and language announcement, followed with a religious broadcast in Cantonese, noted with a nice English ID, AWR - Voice of Hope and closing statement. Also noted on the 9th from 1230 to 1300* with similar programming and again nice ID and closing announcements at 1300. Thank you to Ralph Perry for pointing out this

station, as well as, the "Voice of Love" station, and the other smaller religious broadcasters (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, Canada, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** GUYANA. 3289.9, GBC Voice of Guyana 2350 OM in English, then YL 2351 on 28 April; 0945 to 1000 Christian minister ìFor God saidÖ.î 30 April; 2350 to 0000 very poor signal only copied in ssb. 7 May (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, Drake R8, Icom 746 Pro, NRD 525, DXSF 1981-2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

No sign of 3290 V of Guyana this morning. (13 May) 3290, V. of Guyana found back on the air at around 2350, but very weak. Much weaker than 3320 Sonder Grense. (13 May). 3290, V. of Guyana very weak at 0945 check this morning. Must be running low power again. (14 May) (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD)

** HAWAII. 570, KUAI Eleele, now here, slogan ìKauaiís Countryî (IRCA)
720, KQNG Kekaha is still silent (IRCA)
1080, KWAI Honolulu ñ its CP to move to new site (where station is already broadcasting with STA) has expired; station has reapplied for a replacement CP. (NRC)
1260, CP for new station at Keaau (U1 5000/1000) has expired and been deleted. (NRC)(all via May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

** INDIA. 'AIR'S MW, SW AND DD'S ANALOGUE TV HURDLES IN DIGITISATION'
http://www.business-standard.com/article/pti-stories/air-s-mw-sw-and-dd-s-analogue-tv-hurdles-in-digitisation-115051200683_1.html

All India Radio's medium wave and short wave and Doordarshan's analogue television have been a "major bottleneck" in achieving complete digital broadcasting in the country, the government today said.

In a written reply to a question in Rajya Sabha, Minister of State for Information and Broadcasting Rajyavardhan Rathore also said that the AIR has initiated digital technology in its stations with medium wave facilities.

He mentioned other initiatives and also said that the Doordarshan has also approved 63 digital transmitters under 11th Plan and 12th Plan.

Responding to another question, Rathore said that the Ministry of Home Affairs has issued policy guidelines dated August 28, 2014, stating that the validity of security clearance will be co-terminus with validity period of license granted for TV channels, FM radio and community radio among others.

He added that the validity for additional TV channels, community radio

stations etc, has now been extended to 10 years from the date of initial grant of security clearance.
Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, May 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

** INDIA. AIR Bengaluru is testing in simulcast mode, 612 kHz analog + 621 kHz DRM. Schedule: [subtract 5.5 hours for UT]
5.55 am - 3.00 pm IST
5.30 pm - 11.10 pm IST
Reports to : spectrum-manager@air.org.in
--- (Alokesh Gupta, New Delhi, May 11, dx_india yg via DXLD)

** INDIA. All India Radio is continuing their DRM test beyond the original end date of 30 April, on 7550 kHz. This test continues to run from 1745 to 2230 UT and is notable as it carries two separate broadcasts on different channels on the same DRM transmission - with English (GOS-IV) / Hindi / English (GOS-V) on DRM Channel 1, and Vividh Bharati in Hindi on DRM Channel 2.

I am listening at 1900 UT today (7 May) to Vividh Bharati with excellent reception. SNR is around 17-18 dB, with a solid signal and no drop-outs. On previous occasions during their testing, SNR has ranged from 13 to 18 dB but rarely any audio decoded. And, really good to hear Vividh Bharati with such clear reception, as I rarely hear this station these days via normal AM transmission.

Reception reports are requested to spectrum-manager@air.org.in and a special QSL card is supposed to be available for this DRM test transmission (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, May 9, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Alan, They had been using Mode A up to a few nights ago, then they switched to Mode B, and since then the reception has been almost flawless on both streams, though they have reduced the bit rate down to just 8.08 kbps now. It's much better than their 9 MHz signal though, as there is no nasty hum on this one (Alan Gale, UK, ibid.)

Hi Alan, Thanks for that information - that's interesting. Unfortunately, I'm unable to find a way to display mode and bit rate in the Winradio G31 software (Alan Roe via Alan Gale, ibid.)

Hi Alan, I'm just playing about with a program called 'DRMplot' which was created by one of the guys on the DRMX Forum. I think this will give all sorts of 'technical info about the DRM signals and I think it works with SDRs as well, though not yet having one I haven't been able to try this yet.

You can download a copy from the link below, this gives far more information about the signals than the Dream Software that I'm

currently using does:
http://www.hobbyradio.se/en/drm/drmlogplot_en.html

I've just installed a copy, but haven't yet had a chance to see just what it does yet. I may even have to do something drastic like read the help file! :-D (Alan Gale, ibid.)

The DRM test from 1745 to 2230 UT seems now to have ended, with the broadcast tonight (9 May) back to scheduled AM transmission (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, 2021 UT May 9, dxldyg via DXLD)

Hi Alan, It came on for a while last night, then went off suddenly at around 8.15pm [BST? = 1915 UT], not a sign of it in DRM since then. Looks like that's it for now; they seemed to have finally got it right when they switched to Mode B, so probably no need for the tests anymore (Alan Gale, May 9, ibid.)

Thanks for the info, Alan. Shame - I had hoped to enjoy a little more from Vividh Bharati tonight! (Alan Roe, ibid.)

Hi Alan, All may not be lost. I've just heard that they had a problem with their content server last night, so if it was that they may well return again once that is sorted out and working again. Fingers crossed, I was enjoying that nice audio (and none of the usual AIR hum as well!):-) (Alan Gale, May 9, ibid.)

Hi All, After being absent for the past few days due to a problem with their content server, the All India Radio DRM test is back on 7550.0 kHz again this evening. As before they are sending two streams, one with the Regular Service, and the other with Test Music. Good signal here at the moment (Alan Gale, UK, 1943 UT May 12, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA [and non]. USA vs INDIA, WWCR-1 vs All India Radio in AM, not DRM mode on May 10
till 1200 15795 WCR 100 kW / 046 deg to WeEu English WWCR-1
from 1145 15795 BGL 500 kW / 035 deg to EaAs Chinese All India Radio
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/wwcr-1-vs-all-india-radio-in-am-not-drm.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 11, dxldyg via DXLD)

** INDIA. 4920, A.I.R., Chennai at 1249 in Hindi, 1250 presumed news headlines over music - Fair, May 10 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, listening in my car, by the lake and using the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA. 9690, All India Radio at 1330 signing on in English with ID, frequencies and meter bands, 1331 ìThis is All India Radio, The news

read byÖî - Fair, May 10 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, listening in my car, by the lake and using the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna. Editor of World English Survey and Target Listening, available at http://www.odxa.on.ca dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13795, AIR Bengaluru, 0000 s/on, into presumed listed Tamil program; I was surprised at the excellent signal strength April 28 (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also GOA

** INDIA [non]. 9720, FEBA (Trincomalee) 1336-1404+ 11 May. "Serving Today" English religious programme, with SMS# contact info, into unID language (Kannada listed in Aoki) at 1345 with occasional English to TOH with "What A Friend.." IS, FEBA ID. Also 1336-1405+ 12 May with (presumed) Telugu programme with some English ("Bible Learning Center -- our telephone number: 0861 2364550"), FEBA ID + SMS# (09880 585036) and web address at 1345 and into (presumed) Kuvi (sked 1345-1400 Tuesdays-only), FEBA ID/IS at TOH and running past listed 1400* in unID language (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/PL606/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDIA [non]. UZBEKISTAN, Summer A-15 schedule of CVC Voice Asia:
1100-1400 on 9670 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg to IND Hindi
1400-1700 on 6260 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg to IND Hindi

All other (from a long time on the air) are cancelled
0000-0400 on 6260 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg to IND Hindi
0100-0400 on 9975 TAC 100 kW / 186 deg to SoAs Hindi
0400-1100 on 13630 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg to IND Hindi
1700-2000 on 6260 TAC 100 kW / 153 deg to IND Hindi

According to WRTH Update of May 1, CVC The Voice Asia planning to stop broadcasts in mid May-video on May 6. BUT no signal on 9670 & 6260 after May 6, cancelled??
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/cvc-voice-asia-on-6260-via-tashkent.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD)

** INDONESIA. 4870, RRI Wamena, 1048, again stronger than usual with M in commentary, 4750 Makassar only a very weak carrier April 25 (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Or Makassar [non]

4869.914, probably RRI Wamena, threshold signal likely from Indonesia (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, a mail of some morning 0800-0835 UT notes on Wed May 13 logged on remote unit in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. 7289.942, probably RRI Nabire, threshold tiny level (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, a mail of some morning 0800-0835 UT notes on Wed May 13 logged on remote unit in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** INDONESIA. RRI AND TVRI MERGER PLAN ISSUE
Sabtu, 9 Mei 2015 | 20:08 WIB

MEDAN, KOMPAS.com - Rencana penggabungan Radio Republik Indonesia dan Televisi Republik Indonesia segera dibahas karena telah menjadi program legislasi nasional (prolegnas).

Anggota Komisi I DPR RI Meutya Hafid mengatakan, pembahasan rencana penggabungan Radio Republik Indonesia (RRI) dan Televisi Republik Indonesia (TVRI) itu diagendakan pada Juli 2015. Jika rencana tersebut disetujui, diharapkan penggabungan itu akan menjadi salah satu sejarah dalam dalam dunia informasi nasional.

"Rencana itu sudah masuk prolegnas (program legislasi nasional). Itu akan menjadi sejarah bagi kita," kata Meutya, dalam kunjungan ke kantor PWI Sumut di Medan, Sabtu (9/5/2015).

Menurut Meutya, Komisi I telah memiliki bahan yang dianggap mencukupi, karena materi rencana penggabungan tersebut telah didapatkan dari anggota DPR RI periode sebelumnya. Komisi I DPR RI juga telah mendapatkan banyak masukan dari berbagai pihak mengenai perkembangan dua lembaga informasi milik negara tersebut.

Selain itu, pihaknya juga menerima informasi dinamika manajemen RRI dan TVRI, seperti adanya jajaran direksi yang tidak mengalamai kecocokan atau dewan pengawas yang diberhentikan di tengah jalan.

Untuk memperdalam informasi yang ada, Komisi I DPR RI telah berkeliling ke sejumlah daerah untuk mencari masukan mengenai rencana penggabungan tersebut. "Jadi pertengahan Juli nanti akan kita bahas," ujar politisi Partai Golkar itu.

Editor: Bayu Galih
Sumber: Antara (via Tony Ashar, Indonesia, May 9, dxldyg via DXLD)

Saturday, May 9th, 2015 | 20:08 pm

MEDAN, KOMPAS.com - proposed merger of Radio Republik Indonesia and Televisi Republik Indonesia addressed immediately because it has become the national legislation program (prolegnas).

Member of Commission I of the House of Representatives Meutya Hafid said, discussions planned merger Radio Republik Indonesia (RRI) and

Televisi Republik Indonesia (TVRI) was scheduled in July 2015. If the plan is approved, the merger is expected to be one of the world's history in the national information.

"Plans are already in the national legislation (the national legislation program). It will be history for us," said Meutya, during a visit to the office in Medan North Sumatra PWI, Saturday (09/05/2015).

According Meutya, Commission I already have material deemed insufficient, due to the merger plan material has been obtained from members of the House of Representatives earlier period. Commission I have also been getting a lot of input from various parties regarding the development of the two state-owned institutions such information.

In addition, he also received a dynamic information management RRI and TVRI, such as the board of directors who are not experiencing the suitability or supervisory board terminated midway.

To deepen the existing information, Commission I have traveled to a number of areas to seek input on the merger plan. "So mid-July will be discussed," said the Golkar Party politician.

Editor: Bayu Galih; Source: Antara (Google translation via gh, DXLD)

** INTERNATIONAL INTERNET. English Podcasts from Turkmenistan, Nepal, Cuba, etc. Hi all, just a quick note that we started some new Podcasts in English language on
http://www.radio360.eu

Radio Nepal and Radio Turkmenistan with their English news and Radio Romania International with the full daily broadcast in English are now available. Other podcasts include RAE Buenos Aires, Polish Radio, Radio Habana Cuba, RSI Bratislava or Radio Myanmar. Just click on the name of the country on our homepage at http://www.radio360.eu
You may also join our Facebook page for updates:
https://www.facebook.com/radio360.eu
:-) Happy listening, (Daniel K‰hler, May 9, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** IRAN [and non]. CHINA vs IRAN, China National Radio 1 vs Voice of Islamic Republic of Iran:
0000-2400 on 9800 UNIDentified tx site to EaAs Chinese CNR 1 emergency frequency
1423-1520 on 9800 KAM 500 kW / 058 deg to CeAs Russian VIRI IRIB
1523-1620 on 9800 KAM 500 kW / 058 deg to CeAs Kazakh VIRI IRIB
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/china-national-radio-1-vs-voice-of.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, May 8, dxldyg via DXLD)

** IRAN [non]. 15630, CLANDESTINE, (BULGARIA), R. Ranginkaman (Rainbow). Signal on the air at 1553 and program start at 1600 with opening by W in Farsi with sked and mentioon of ìkilohertzî and ending with what sounded like a website. Immediately into talk feature by M. Music at 1607 for a short time. W over classical piano music at 1613, then into another talk feature with nice peaks. Went off at 1630. Heavy deep QSB and mixing with co-channel Greece which was weaker for the most part but was on top when Ranginkaman faded. In fact the Greece IS could be heard equally briefly at 1600. Made for a tricky reception. Also slop QRM from 15610 WEWN blasting away. Glad this finally added a higher frequency The lower frequencies in the 49 and 41 mbs during the day are impossible (8 May) (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, HCDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

SECRETLAND, Radio Ranginkaman, Radio Rainbow on May 8:
1600-1630 on 7575 secret / hidden site to WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri
1600-1630 on 15630*SCB 050 kW / 090 deg to WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri
* over ERT Open in Greek, which is active today Friday May 8:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-ranginkaman-radio-rainbow-on-may-8.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

All these frequency conflicts which Ivo and the rest of us Observe, are a very sad commentary on the incompetence of ``professional`` SW frequency managers!! (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Radio Ranginkaman, Radio Rainbow on May 11:
1600-1630 on 7575 secret / hidden site to WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri
1600-1630 on 15630 SCB 050 kW / 090 deg to WeAs Farsi Mon/Fri
Frequency 15630 kHz with 80 seconds delay from 7575 kHz-video
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-ranginkaman-radio-rainbow-on-may.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

** JAPAN. 3925, R Nikkei 1, 5/9, 1100. Program with electronica. Fair / Good . //s 9595 (VG) and 6055 (F-G) 73 and Good Listening .....! (Rick Barton, El Mirage AZ, Grundig Satellit 750, Outdoor Slinky, Radio Shack SW-2000629, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** JAPAN. 9625, NHK World R Japan 5/10 [Sunday], 1010. Friends Around the World program, listeners letters from Bangladesh, India. Was good enough I was monitoring with Radio Shack SW-2000629 with antenna clipped to metal towel rack in bathroom - VG. 73 and Good Listening .....! (Rick Barton, El Mirage AZ, Grundig Satellit 750, Outdoor Slinky, Radio Shack SW-2000629, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH. 2850, KCBS (via Pyongyang), 5/3, 1220. Long talk by M in Korean leading to what sounded like calliope music, female vocal. 73 and Good Listening .....! (Rick Barton, El Mirage AZ, Grundig Satellit 750, Outdoor Slinky, Radio Shack SW-2000629, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. KOREAS, 15160, KBS World Radio in Korean in 09-10 UT heard at 0920 UT, S=8 in Edmonton, Alberta, and on equal level North Korean jamming of ditter - bubble audio type (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [and non]. CHINA vs KOREA D.P.R., China Radio International vs KCBS Pyongyang:
1700-1757 11680 XIA 500 kW / 252 deg to CEAf Swahili China Radio Inter
2000-1800 11680 KNG 100 kW / non-dir to NEAs Korean KCBS Pyongyang
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/china-radio-international-vs-kcbs.html

SERBIA vs KOREA D.P.R.,International Radio Serbia vs KCBS Pyongyang:
1730-1800 6100 BIJ 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Italian Inter Radio Serbia
2000-1800 6100 KNG 100 kW / non-dir to NEAs Korean KCBS Pyongyang
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/international-radio-serbia-vs-kcbs.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, May 14, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. PALAU/TAIWAN, Furusato no Kaze live service on May 5, updated:
1330-1440 9910 HBN 100 kW / 345 deg NEAs BABCOCK mx, QRM RTTY on 9904
1440-1500 9910 HBN 100 kW / 345 deg NEAs Japanese, QRM RTTY on 9904
1500-1615 9910 TAI 100 kW / 002 deg NEAs Japanese, QRM RTTY on 9904
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/furusato-no-kaze-live-service-on-may-5.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD)

May 5:
BABCOCK music, instead of Furusato no Kaze live service in Japanese 1359 on 9910 Palau
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4JArBJQ5BO4&feature=youtu.be

BABCOCK music, instead of Furusato no Kaze live service in Japanese 1425 on 9910 Palau
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2AO4hSrhfvQ&feature=youtu.be

BABCOCK music, instead of Furusato no Kaze live service in Japanese 1429 on 9910 Palau
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bpWIPoi5rHw&feature=youtu.be

Furusato no Kaze live service in Japanese 1440 on 9910 Palau
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v_mQ1U0gLkU&feature=youtu.be

Furusato no Kaze live service in Japanese 1448 on 9910 Palau
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FOKJcdMp0VE&feature=youtu.be

Furusato no Kaze live service in Japanese 1457 on 9910 Palau
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E_H9AN919gM&feature=youtu.be

Furusato no Kaze live service in Japanese 1500 on 9910 Taipei
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cIJLINjam80&feature=youtu.be

Furusato no Kaze live service in Japanese 1525 on 9910 Taipei
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KpxTSym6VqE&feature=youtu.be

Furusato no Kaze live service in English and Japanese 1553 on 9910 Taipei
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d71n937IEZI&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** KOREA NORTH [non]. 15590, CLANDESTINE (TAJIKISTAN), R. Free North Korea. Signal already on at 1229 and start of usual soft instrumental BBC [BaBcoCk?] music prior to transmission. 1230 immediately into R. Free North Korea with instrumental music and presumed voice-over opening announcements by W in Korean, fanfare, and into feature by what sounded like the same W announcer. Poor, but up to fair on very brief peaks (8 May) (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD)

** KOREA SOUTH. 15575, KBS World, 5/5, 1315. Talk show on Korean children as it is "Children's Day" in South Korea. Armchair reception. 73 and Good Listening .....! (Rick Barton, El Mirage AZ, Grundig Satellit 750, Outdoor Slinky, Radio Shack SW-2000629, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also KOREA NORTH [and non] above, 15160

** KURDISTAN [non]. FRANCIA, 11510, Radyoya Dengue Kurdistane, Issoudun, 1720-1733, escuchada el 9 de mayo de 2015 en kurdo a locutor y locutora con comentarios, emisiÛn de m˙sica kurda, SINPO 44444

BULGARIA, 11510, Radyoya Dengue Kurdistane, Kostimbrod, 1659-1703, escuchada el 9 de mayo en kurdo a locutora con comentarios; la emisiÛn se corta bruscamente, SINPO 34433 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia) 39.513356, -0.410268, EspaÒa, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10 m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** KURDISTAN. KRG TO JAM IS RADIO STATION IN MOSUL PROVINCE --- KRG have asked international coalition forces to locate and target the radio station
http://www.basnews.com/en/news/2015/05/14/krg-to-jam-is-radio-station-in-mosul-province/

A committee represented by three Kurdistan Regional Government (KRG) ministries has been formed to block the transmission of a new Islamic State (IS) radio station that is broadcasting around the northern Iraqi province of Mosul.

Halgurd Jundiani, of the KRGís Ministry of Culture and Youth, told BasNews, ìWe have blocked IS radio broadcasting in the Kurdistan Region and weíre trying to do the same in other areas of Mosul Province.

ìThe IS radio station was part of the Iraqi Media Network in Mosul. After IS took control of the city last year they started to spread their own propaganda through the network.î

The radio broadcast is currently reaching sensitive areas around Mosul Province such as the Domiz refugee camp and villages.

The KRG official explained, ìWe have not let the IS broadcast reach the Kurdistan Region. As for other places around Mosul, the KRG has put together a committee from three ministries ñ Interior, Culture and Communication ñ to tackle this issue and stop the broadcast next week.

ìThe KRG has already asked international coalition forces to locate and target the radio station.î

IS established the broadcasts to spread radicalism and propaganda against the Kurdish Peshmerga and Iraqi security forces. The KRG has jammed the station in the Kurdistan Region.
Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, May 14, dxldyg via DXLD)

** KUWAIT. Saludos cordiales, Hoy 10 de mayo de 2015 observo que Radio Kuwait en 21540 en su servicio en ·rabe de 1000 a 1600 est· sin emisiÛn; cuando son las 1120 UT, tampoco capto seÒal alguna en 21580 en su servicio en filipino de 1000 a 1200. Me pregunto si es fruto de la mala propagaciÛn, aunque Radio Riyadh sÌ se capta en 21670 en su servicio en indonesio de 0900 a 1157 UT. TambiÈn capto seÒal en 17805 en servicio en ·rabe de 0855 a 1157. Radio Riyadh en 17570 en ·rabe de 0855 a 1157 con buena seÒal (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia) 39.513356, -0.410268, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Nothing on 21540 at 1300 UTC May 10 -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, ibid.)

JosÈ Miguel, No es noticia que no haya seÒal en 21540. Desde hace meses un transmisor se queda silenciado como nos informÛ Ivo el 15 de marzo:

``Still no broadcast on shortwave on these transmissions of R. Kuwait:
0500-0900 15515 KBD 250 kW / 059 deg to EaAs Arabic GS, irreg.on air
1000-1200 21580 KBD 250 kW / 084 deg to SEAs Filipino
1205-1555 21540 KBD 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu Arabic General Service
1600-1800 15540 KBD 250 kW / 100 deg to SoAs Urdu
1800-2100 15540 KBD 250 kW / 310 deg to WeEu English``

Sin que haya escuchado en 21540 hace poco?? (Glenn Hauser, ibid.)

** LIBERIA. 6050, 0530, ELWA Radio, Monrovia audible from this time some days, usually poor at best but peaking around 0630. Some syndicated American religious programs, ident 0630 12/3. Followed past 0700 on 29/3 (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), North Island, New Zealand, with Drake SPR4, AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

[and non]. 6050, ELWA Radio, Monrovia, 2238-0002 01-May. I could hear an OM faintly Tx [talking?]. At 2254 there was a different OM Tx; he sounded younger than the 1st OM. At 2336 there were at least three stations on the frequency: one sounded Asian unknown language, the other was English and the third was speaking Spanish. The younger OM English was upfading; he continued to play music and make comments. I IDed the last song he played: it was ìBreak Every Chainî - Tasha Cobbs. At 0000 UT The OM said this is "E" "L" "W" "A" and gave frequency information for the next broadcast. This was followed by the national anthem of Liberia, "All Hail, Liberia, Hail!", off at 0002 May 2, 2015. At times the signal was good usually during music; of course it got abysmal when the OM Tx (Gary Vance, Grand Ledge MI, Mare Tipsheet May 8 via DXLD)

6050, ELWA Radio, Monrovia, *0528-0545, 10-05, tuning music, identification, English, religious songs and comments. 14321 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500, Tecsun PL-880, Sony ICF SW7600G, Cable antenna, 8 meters and Degen 31MS active loop antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LIBERIA. 6050.003 footprint is the frequency of a daily UT morning guest here in southern Germany, ELWA Monrovia from Liberia heard with typical West African rhythmic (like Soul) music by lady singer. At 0535 UT May 14, S=6 or fair -86dBm signal level on SDR unit (Wolfgang B¸schel, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** LIBERLAND. New European Country in the works? May be ñ or apparently not, unless they get their way ñ we could get a new European country!

Here in Spain, television news reports have been focusing recently on

the so-called ìFree Republic of Liberland.î

This self-proclaimed country set up by a group of Libertarian activists is said to be a small 2.7 square-mile patch of an unclaimed area along the border of Croatia and Serbia, right on the Danube. It was declared ìno manís landî after the Balkan wars.

Now a Czech politician, Vit Jedlicka, who formed Liberland last month after getting fed up with the laws in his own country and proclaimed himself president, was arrested by Croatian officials last Saturday for illegally crossing the border into ìno manís land.î

According to their website, anyone can become a citizen of Liberland by just registering on their official website at https://liberland.org/en/main/

Communications, including a radio and television station, will be set up shortly, says Jedilcka. 73s (Marty DelfÌn (Madrid, Spain), May 12, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

LIBERLAND PRESIDENT ARRESTED BY CROATIA FOR TRESPASSING IN 'NO MAN'S LAND' By Perry Chiaramonte, Published May 10, http://www.foxnews.com/

A Czech politician, who declared himself president of a tiny nation established on what he claims is a 2.7-square-mile "no man's land" along the Danube River, was arrested Saturday by Croatian authorities who said he and his self-styled fellow founding fathers of Liberland are trespassing.

Croatian authorities could not be reached for comment to confirm the arrest of VÌt Jedlicka, a libertarian politician from the Czech Republic. A group calling itself the Liberland Press Association, which has spoken in the past for Jedlicka, made the announcement in a statement emailed to FoxNews.com.

ìThe president of the self-proclaimed micro-nation of the Free Republic of Liberland, VÌt Jedlicka, has been arrested by Croatian police for illegally trespassing an international border,î read the statement. ìThe arrest may have taken place on no manís land territory. This would raise issues on the Croatian-Serbian border and could start a new crisis in the Balkans.î

On May 2, Jedlicka and the rest of his cabinet declared Liberation Day for Liberland, inviting new citizens to gather in nearby Serbia to enter the purported "micro-nation" by boat via the Danube. The circumstances of Jedlickaís arrest or where he may be being held were unclear.

Jedlickaís supporters added that the arrest was unjustified and possibly illegal, saying he never actually crossed the Croatian border into the disputed territory.

They also maintain that neither Croatia nor Serbia claimed the land to be within their borders following the 2003 dissolution of Yugoslavia.

Officials from Croatia have maintained that they do not take the claims of the new nation seriously.

ìThe Croatian Ministry of Foreign and European Affairs does not consider claims about so-called ëLiberlandí as in any way credible,î officials for the Croatian Embassy in Washington D.C. said in a previous statement to FoxNews.com. ìRather, it sees them as what they are ñ virtual witticism, and for those, we have no further comments to make.î

Embassy officials did not immediately return requests for comment regarding confirmation of the arrest.

Jedlicka originally formed Liberland in April, saying he was frustrated by high taxes and intrusive government in his own nation. He claims to have researched unclaimed land and found an unspoken-for sliver where he maintains international law allowed him to stake a claim.

More than 300,000 people from around the world have applied for citizenship in Liberland, according to Jedlicka. They have been approved, even though most will never live in -- or never set foot in -- Liberland.

ìWe believe we can set up the last state on the planet,î Jedlicka told FoxNews.com in April. ìWe are taking the best parts of the American Revolution and the U.S. Constitution and applying it here.î (via Marty DelfÌn, Spain, May 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

** MALAYSIA. 9835 (+ stream), RTM Sarawak, 1950 May 9 with nice songs. This time more western songs are heard than before in a zone of totally Malay songs. Too bad, S5. AND LOOK AT MY BOOK MALAYSIA 25 YEARS SURVEY, http://goo.gl/Pi87gp (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11665, Wai FM at 1206 with lite Malay pop music, ID - Fair, May 10 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, listening in my car, by the lake and using the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

MAL¡SIA, 9835, Sarawak FM via RTM, Kajang, 0910-desvanecimento total

1130, 12/5, m˙sica pop', notici·rio das 1000, texto, entrevistas, notici·rio das 1100, canÁıes; 25433. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11665, May 12 at 1235, fair signal with chanting past 1242; and a non-chanty song at 1249, presumed RTM with Wai or Sarawak FM service (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MALI. 9635, Radio Mali, Bamako, 1745-1759*, 07-05, French, comments, tuning music, identification: "Ici Bamako", close. 13221 (Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500, Tecsun PL-880, Sony ICF SW7600G, Cable antenna, 8 meters and Degen 31MS active loop antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9635, R. Mali, Kati, 1233-1250, 08/5, dialecto local, texto, entrevistas; 25442, modulaÁ„o fraca. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. 1090, May 13 at 0507, Spanish talk from SSW is dominant, about Mexican politix, better offtuned to 1088-1089 to minimize KRLD IBOC from 1080. Presumed XEAU Monterrey NL, Milenio Radio (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MEXICO. Radio Mexico XERMX Pennant and Station Brochure mid 1970's RARE
http://www.ebay.com/itm/Radio-Mexico-XERMX-Pennant-and-Station-Brochure-mid-1970s-RARE-/231557051348?pt=LH_DefaultDomain_0&hash=item35e9e033d4
(via Artie Bigley, DXLD) You can look at them, not buy them (gh)

** MEXICO. The first skip of the season is in tonight with channels 2-4 from Mexico. Channel 2 has Trece (13) network programming. Local news now has many mentions of Chihuahua so it must be XHCH-TV from Chihuahua, Chihuahua. Signals have been for the most part very weak but at times some decent color reception on channel 2 (Dave Pomeroy, Topeka, Kansas, 0347 UT May 9, WTFDA via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD) So still analog for that station (gh)

** MEXICO. Arizona is not a big DX state for a variety of reasons. Our dry weather leaves no room for tropo, station spacing is fairly wide, and I live in metro Phoenix where currently I have three high-Vs and a plethora of UHFs. (Also, my antenna is a paper clip and I still pick up all but three stations from South Mountain with regularity.)

But it must have been very different in 1957, when a DXer from Arizona, Ron Hilding, logged an XEW-2 slide on channel 3. (Source: "TV DX Thirty Years Ago", VUD 9/87.) Even then this is IDable material now: this is XEZ-3. The Cerro del Zamorano repeater was turned on in 1956 (as I learned while preparing a summary of television history in

Guadalajara...believe it or not that was the closest TV station to Guadalajara for several years) and would have been one of the first major relayers in Mexico. It was also the first channel 3 in the country.

I'm not quite sure where this DXer was in Arizona, but he would have had to fight over KTVK-3 Phoenix (signed on 1955) to get it. From Cerro del Zamorano to Phoenix is 1,110 miles, 1,020 from Tucson.

I speak Spanish so you don't have to (Raymie Humbert, AZ, May 8, Raymie`s Mexico Beat, WTFDA Forum via DXLD)

Ruh-roh, Refrendo! In Mexican legal parlance a "refrendo" is an endorsement of something. In telecommunications, it's basically an extension of a station's concession or permit.

Well, a bunch of stations that didn't get their Rs tied up disappeared from the April list, and we missed it because of all the new digital applications!

We knew that the two unbuilt transmitters of the Campeche state network were goners. What we didn't know is that more state networks dropped the ax and cut transmitters. The Oaxaca state network chopped 9 transmitters off the list. It had already slimmed down a good bit but this brings it down to 22. Puebla cut its Zacatl·n transmitter and the Edomex network pulled out of Tejupilco de Hidalgo.

A major red flag can be raised in Quintana Roo, where all but one station in the state network has vanished from the books! I have no idea what is going on here, but only the Felipe Carrillo Puerto transmitter, itself bearing the dreaded R at the end of its row in the table, is left. I think these are still on, but the fact that there was demand for new (read: not existing) digital television stations on behalf of the federal government that resulted in the 12-station package added to the 2015 frequency bandplan makes me wonder if the IPN wants to operate its own transmitters in QR.

An additional station is off the books, XHARJ-22 Arandas, Jalisco, a very special local station that may have just gone back to being cable-only after 15 or so years. The page gives no hints of any changes, but the permit did need renewal.

I have to wonder if these are state networks that are shrinking to avoid digital conversion costs in small localities. The cuts of XHTEJ and XHPZL actually leave both state networks as all-digital/digital-parity operations.

EDIT: Wanted to clear up something here too.

The IPN is a dependency of the Federal Executive Power, because it falls under the SEP (the education secretary). There are available new public use television allocations for such dependencies in the 2015 Bandplan Usage Program:

La Paz, BCS
TorreÛn, Coah. (3)
Acapulco, Gro.
Guadalajara, Jal.
Tepic, Nay.
Oaxaca, Oax.
Canc˙n, Q. Roo (2)
Chetumal, Q. Roo
San Luis PotosÌ, SLP

I am trying to figure out who else besides the IPN is in the running for some of these stations. The Universidad AutÛnoma de Coahuila has wanted its own TV station,
http://www.zocalo.com.mx/seccion/articulo/va-la-uadec-por-canal-propio-de-tv-1368081893
but it's in Saltillo, not TorreÛn. Also apparently it was offered the station by Cofetel, but that is so long ago now. Last edited by Raymie; 05-09-2015 at 01:38 PM (Raymie, May 9, ibid.)

[and non] Mexico's aggressive use of VHF drop-ins has led to most cities in interior Mexico (border cities are obviously exceptions) having five, six or even seven stations on the VHF band. Meanwhile, there was no analog UHF television service (not including shadows) in 10 of Mexico's 32 political divisions.

In the US the FCC only ever did four of the many possible VHF drop-ins: Knoxville (8), Johnstown PA (8), Charleston WV (11), Salt Lake City (13). That said, many more were possible. Imagine a channel 4 in Albany, a 10 in Cleveland, up to five Vs in Fresno or a channel 12 in the Bay Area. (Some of these would have been game changers, especially in the one-V markets like Evansville or the no-Vs like South Bend).

A policy of VHF drop-ins requires lower ERPs for television stations, and Mexico has them in spades. The really high-powered stations are either in major metros, or scattered around the country on certain major market UHFs. (XHMOW will, uh, MOW you over at 3,819 kW!)

There may have been a few more, in other years. Mount Vernon, IL (13) was considered to be a "drop-in" not due to short-spacing, rather because it was not positioned to serve any one distinct "television market". Albany and Newark (13) were short-spaced. WZZM (13) was licensed to Grand Rapids, MI, but was quite close to Rockford, IL, and

thus WZZMs transmitter was quite a distance north of GR. To place WZZM there, they made WWTV in Cadillac move from channel 13 to channel 9z, on the same offset as 9 in Wausau (a zero-beat dogfight in the summer)

I think the topography of Mexico may support its short-spacing. Most of Mexico (or, at least, of the heavily-populated areas of it) is somewhat mountainous. Any two cities about 100km apart are likely to have a high mountain or ridge between them. If both these cities have a TV transmitter on the same channel, the mountain protects each from the other's interference, and the stations interfere with each other only on the mountain.

Putting 100 kW omnidirectional channel 4s in Detroit and Toledo would cause bedlam.

Now, Fresno could have shared all of the same channels 2-4-5-7-9-11 with San Francisco/San JosÈ, but the FCC was likely determined to have their distance separation rules followed to the letter, lest other markets want short-spacing as well. It may also have been an issue of research to see if people would really be happy with UHF-only TV if there were no competition from VHF stations (in fact, Fresno had a VHF channel 12 and a CP for a VHF channel 10 that were forced to move to UHF, leaving VHF channels vacant. Fresno was a great place to be a E-skip TV DXer). (Robert Grant, Engineer, Fingerboard Corners & Warmley R.R., May 9, ibid.)

I know how Fresno was de-intermixed, but I was looking at this older document that showed just how many VHF drop-ins were likely.

Your point about topography is a good one. A lot of the central US and the coastal regions ó in other words, the population centers where cities are that closely spaced ó is flat. It's really only in the western US ó and parts of far southeastern, northwestern and northern Mexico ó where things flatten out (Raymie, May 9, ibid.)

Among the largest metro areas where I have had zero word on commercial television stations is Tapachula, in Chiapas. Almost on the Guatemalan border, the municipality has 320,000 residents and is Mexico's southernmost large city.

Until now all I knew is that the OPMA/SPR station, XHOPTP-27/42.x, was the only digital known, though XHGK-4 (TDT 28) and as of April XHTAA-2 (TDT 41) have authorizations alongside Azteca.

Someone in Tapachula posted to the forum and said that they have almost all the digital stations. In fact all that's missing is the state network, which means that there are yet two more Televisa stations without listed authorizations but on the air in digital.

We also learned another Colima station signed on; only two stations are completely missing in digital (XHMAW, XHIOC) though some shadows are needed as well.

It's also worth noting that as of the April list Azteca now lists all of its digital stations nationwide as being built. Certainly we have passed critical mass, and if true it would mean that some areas would actually have digital parity. (Zacatecas springs to mind.)

Also, XHRCG-7, the last Saltillo proper station not to make it to digital, is expected this month. One XHRCG personality noted on Twitter that they expect to get on the air within May. Apparently they have everything ready to go HD except the transmitter and all internal production is being done in the format.

Last edited by Raymie; 05-11-2015 at 12:12 AM. (Raymie, ibid.)

Saltillo keeps checking off its boxes:

Shadow XHX-9? Last week.
XHRCG-7? Likely to air this month.
Shadow XHAW-11? Signed on today.

This is a special shadow because it has neither the same RF as its parent or the same VC number as its analog counterpart: it is instead channel 50 (12.x), with a noncompliant RF (which was expected of course, but the FCC database actually anticipated channel 51) and the virtual channel number from Monterrey. It even has subchannels: it is carrying XHAW on 12.1 plus 12.4 which is the main feed of XHSAW (which is the only Mexican TV station to share a major channel number with another). Channel 50 was actually an unused analog allotment to Saltillo (see: FCC, the presence of channel 44) and would have otherwise been used for the fourth new national network (Cadena Tres received the 26 allotment). ERP is likely somewhere between 12 and 20 kW; the FCC XHAW-TDT-51 application lists 12.25 kW and the "XHAW-DT"-25 application has 20. I would not be surprised if 50 is a temporary assignment until XHSTC shuts off its analog signal.

The only real mystery left is shadow XEFB-2 (XHCNL-2), and honestly it's been a mystery for a decade anyway! If they solve their mystery, we could be talking a Saltillo shutdown in the fairly near future...

EDIT: XHAW just slid up from 50 to 51 today, which makes more sense and fits the FCC-listed authorization. Last edited by Raymie; 05-12-2015 at 05:02 PM. (Raymie, May 11+, ibid.)

Tampico now has digital parity as XHFW-TDT 26 is back on air. It was

seen testing a long time ago but it hadn't returned until today, and it's also in the IFT list.

This tropo target may be difficult for Gulf DXers with XHRIO-TDT 26 on a similar heading and five times the ERP. It is worth noting that, according to the same reports, XHFW analog is now letterboxed!

Digital parity has happened a lot faster in cities with no state network. These are cities I know of with digital parity:

Aguascalientes
Cd. del Carmen Camp.
Cd. Ju·rez Chih.
TorreÛn Coah./GÛmez Palacio Dgo.
ArmerÌa/Tecoman Col.
Ciudad de MÈxico
LeÛn? (I've seen things that make me doubt XHLGG is on in digital)
Guadalajara
Toluca
Cuernavaca
Monterrey
Puebla
QuerÈtaro
Los Mochis
Culiac·n
Mazatl·n
Cd. Valles SLP
Cd. Victoria Tamps.
Tampico Tamps.
Veracruz
Valladolid-TizimÌn Yuc.
Zacatecas?*

*I do not know if Azteca is on here for sure, but it better be given their station buildout and the size of this city. I'm going to assume they are and we just haven't seen information on it.

Of these 22 cities, just 9 had a state network transmitter in analog. (QuerÈtaro received a state network in digital in 2012, XHSECE-TDT 50, and while the DF government put XHCDM-TDT 21 on air in recent years, there was of course XHPTP-34 from the State of Mexico before that.)

Huajuapan de LeÛn, Oax., is excluded because its loss of the state network may have come from a nonrenewal and XHHOX-4 probably operated, unlike XHCAR.

Two of the state networks listed here conducted flash-cuts. These are the excellent examples of XHCMO and XHPUE. XHMNL counts as being on

air in digital for the purposes of this analysis.

Meanwhile, other major cities are close but need the state network to sign on before being able to claim digital parity: Campeche Camp., Tapachula, Colima, Acapulco, Uruapan Mich., Morelia Mich., Oaxaca Oax., Cd. ObregÛn, Villahermosa, MÈrida. Some of these areas would likely have analog shutoffs on the books if it were not for lagging state networks, particularly Morelia (Raymie, May 13, ibid.)

The IFT released its First Quarter Report today, and there are some TDT stats for us to feast on:

Of the 716 analog television stations that existed:
89 are awaiting assignment of their digital channel
627 have an assigned digital channel...
29 fully transitioned to digital
257 digital companions in operation, including two co-channel stations
150 authorized and in the process of installation, including 13 co-channel stations
191 in the process of authorization

455 TDT stations are authorized:
293 of which are currently operating; 7 direct digital permits, 29 all-digital stations and 257 digital companions for 231 concessions and 26 permits
Of all authorized stations...
392 digital companions for 335 concessions and 57 permits
19 permits
29 all-digital stations
15 authorizations for intermittent operation

These are interesting stats (and are correlated to the update of the IFT lists from April 28), but unfortunately the IFT's stats do not reflect what is going on at times. The number of digital stations operating in Mexico is definitely higher than 293 and has likely passed the 300 mark. A good chunk of the "authorized" stations are operating at this point (this is Televisa because Azteca has all but one of its stations authorized for digital ó sorry XHPCE), and the tidal wave of transmitter sign-ons is finally reaching rural Mexico with digital signals. That number of 191 stations currently in authorization is probably lower in actuality than might otherwise be expected.

The 89 stations awaiting assignment of a digital channel are interesting. As I've said, I expect a fairly decent drop in the number of separate television stations in Mexico, not counting the Cadena Tres 123-station addition which will begin to come online from 2016.

Most of this will come from state networks shedding transmitters, particularly Oaxaca (which has shed somewhere around 30 transmitters from the 52 it once had) and possibly Sonora, and also from the high costs of the digital transition to local translator associations, Patronatos, etc. In any event, there are far more digital stations, both authorized and operating, now than there were when this blog was started. This could also be an international coordination concern, particularly in northern Mexico where Televisa holds 11 intermittent operation authorizations. (There are 15 total: XHPUE Puebla which has gone all-digital, XHMNL Monterrey, XHAMO Colima, XHUAD Durango, and the rest are all Televisa.) (Raymie, May 14, ibid.)

** MICRONESIA. May 12 - After three days without hearing PMA-The Cross Radio, on 4755.54, I sent off an inquiry to Sylvia. Her reply has just come in (May 12 at 2236 UT). Ron - San Francisco

"Hello Ron, We have had no power at the radio station for 3 days, hence the loss of communication over the air.

Storm/typhoon Dolphin slammed into us on Sunday. The radio building and the tower are all fine. Just waiting for the down power lines to be fixed and we will be on the air again. Will let you know when we are on the air again.

We lost part of our church roof, it seems we had the full furry of the storm with gusts 70-100 at around 3am. It sucked the roof right off.

At this point, we do not know when we can use the church. It all depends on the roof. Thank you for your prayers. We need sunshine today to repair and keep the water out!

Sylvia Kalau
Pacific Mission Aviation
POB 517
Pohnpei, FM 96941
691-320-2496
kalau @ pmapacific.org "
Posted by: (Ron Howard, May 12, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MONGOLIA. MONG”LIA, 12000 (ex-12085 devido a QRM da AUSTRALIA), Voz da MongÛlia, Khonkhor, *0859-..., 11/5, sinal de ID, programa em inglÍs, texto; 23431, QRM da China (presumida). Enfim, entre 12085 e 12000, aqui na Europa, pelo menos, o panorama È o mesmo. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** MOROCCO. 9575, 5/13 0252, R. MÈditerranÈe Intl. Nador, in Arabic; musical program with Arabic Moroccan songs; 45433 (JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier

(JRX), Receivers: Degen 1103, Tecsun S-2000, Cabedelo [ParaÌba], Brazil, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD)

** MOROCCO. Radio Medi 1 on SW 9575 is off at 0930 UT May 14, but LW 171 is on air ñ 73! (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

** MOROCCO. RADIO AIR DU MBOA: LA REP⁄BLICA SUB SAHARIANA INDEPENDIENTE DE LA RADIO
http://www.eldiario.es/desalambre/Radio-Air-Du-Mboa-independiente_0_385661766.html

[about a web radio station for sub-Saharan immigrants]

Dos cameruneses emiten un programa de radio en internet con el objetivo de convertirse en altavoz de los inmigrantes subsaharianos de Marruecos

"Los inmigrantes subsaharianos aquÌ no tienen acceso a los medios de comunicaciÛn. No se pueden expresar. Por eso decidimos comenzar este proyecto", explica Hassan Yemchu

El pasado 6 de febrero, tÈcnico y locutor pagaron de su bolsillo el desplazamiento a T·nger para cubrir el aniversario de las muertes del Tarajal Hassan Yemchu emitiendo su programa de radio en el salÛn de su casa/ E. G. [caption]

Son las nueve de la maÒana. Sobre una sintonÌa que mezcla ritmos electrÛnicos con el canto de un gallo suena la voz del locutor:

"M˙sica, informaciÛn, animaciÛn. Puedes escucharnos en tu PC, en tu Android, en tu Mac, en tu iPhone. En cualquier momento, en cualquier parte del mundo, especialmente en Marruecos. Air Du Mboa: la radio de la alegrÌa". Con esta promo comienza la emisiÛn matinal de Radio Air Du Mboa (el aire de mi pueblo, en el dialecto camerunÈs de Douala).

Desde el salÛn de su casa, en babuchas, armado con un port·til, un micro y una pequeÒa mesa de mezclas, Hassan Yemchu mantiene la antena durante tres horas, de nueve a doce de la maÒana, de lunes a viernes.

"Los inmigrantes subsaharianos aquÌ no tienen acceso a los medios de comunicaciÛn. No se pueden expresar. Por eso decidimos comenzar este proyecto", explica Hassan a eldiario.es. Esta web radio fundada por tres camerunenes empezÛ a emitir desde Rabat en 2012. Ahora sÛlo permanecen en el proyecto Hassan y su socio, Armel Djatche, que se encarga de alimentar la web y de la parte tÈcnica. El tercero tuvo que dejarlo para ir a buscar un trabajo remunerado.

El aÒo pasado consiguieron un acuerdo con una asociaciÛn cultural marroquÌ que les cedÌa un estudio, pero sÛlo pudieron quedarse durante

un mes. Hassan no puede apartar los ojos de la grabadora de la periodista. "Graba directamente con una tarjeta SD, øverdad?. Yo tengo que usar un dict·fono y luego convertirlo a MP3", comenta, de colega a colega. No tienen m·s financiaciÛn que la que aportan Èl y Armel, que trabaja como profesor de nuevas tecnologÌas en Casablanca.

Radio Air Du Mboa se emite desde el piso de Hassan, en el barrio rabatÌ de Yacoub al Mansour. Es un pequeÒo apartamento de dos habitaciones donde vive con su mujer y su hija de cinco aÒos. Tiene sus ventajas: "Es un estudio port·til" ó se rÌe ó. "Lo voy moviendo por toda la casa, pero el matinal lo hago desde el salÛn", una estancia sencilla, ataviada con tres sof·s marroquÌes por aquÌ y un mueble y una televisiÛn por all· y presidiÈndolo todo, la fotografÌa de su hija Inez luciendo un vestido rosa.

Los dÌas de Hassan comienzan a las cinco y media de la maÒana. Se levanta, se va al salÛn, enciende el ordenador, abre el correo y descarga las grabaciones que le han enviado los corresponsales y colaboradores durante la noche. Mientras monta las crÛnicas y los audios que va a emitir, se las arregla para preparar a Inez para la escuela. Su mujer, marroquÌ, trabaja en un restaurante de comida r·pida y a veces no puede hacerse cargo de la niÒa a esa hora. Hassan va con el tiempo justo para llevarla a clase antes de las nueve, por eso la emisiÛn empieza unos dÌas a las nueve en punto, otros a las nueve y cinco y otros a las nueve y doce.

El viaje de Hassan

Adem·s de trabajar para su proyecto, del que no obtiene un solo dÌrham, Hassan trabaja como fotÛgrafo y c·mara freelance para bodas y eventos. Unos meses hay m·s trabajo; otros meses, menos. Tiene 44 aÒos y llegÛ hace diez a Marruecos con un historia muy similar a la de muchos de sus compatriotas.

Trabajaba en una empresa de importaciÛn-exportaciÛn, pero los salarios en Camer˙n son muy bajos, asÌ que decidiÛ salir a buscarse la vida a otra parte. Nunca tuvo presiÛn familiar, como ocurre muchas veces, para alcanzar el "sueÒo europeo". PasÛ cuatro aÒos malos en Libia, en una Època, todavÌa con Gadafi en el poder, en la que los inmigrantes subsaharianos empleados como mano de obra en las compaÒÌas petrolÌferas eran maltratados y encarcelados.

PasÛ por Argelia y tampoco le gustÛ y recalÛ en Marruecos. AquÌ se casÛ, decidiÛ establecerse y siguiÛ form·ndose como c·mara de televisiÛn, una aficiÛn que se trajo de Camer˙n, cuando le llevaba el trÌpode a un primo que trabajaba en el oficio. "Mi primera c·mara fue una JVC que me comprÈ en Oujda por 220 euros", explica con una sonrisa de aÒoranza de sus primeros pinitos.

"La tarjeta de residencia no sirve de nada sin trabajo"

Es un hombre orquesta. DespuÈs del programa matinal, sale a grabar entrevistas con inmigrantes subsaharianos que le cuentan cÛmo les va la vida en Marruecos, cÛmo fue su viaje y por quÈ quieren llegar a Europa; sus problemas con las embajadas de sus paÌses, lo difÌcil que est· encontrar trabajo aquÌ y cÛmo se ha acogido el proceso de regularizaciÛn de inmigrantes. Es pesimista respecto a esto ˙ltimo: "Una tarjeta de residencia no sirve de nada sin trabajo. El problema es que la UniÛn Europea ha dado dinero a Marruecos para ayudar a los inmigrantes, pero a ninguno nos han preguntado cÛmo deberÌa emplearse ese dinero".

La UE ha aprobado para Marruecos una ayuda de 10 millones de euros destinados a programas de formaciÛn, salud y educaciÛn de inmigrantes. Hassan cree que deberÌan invertirse en montar proyectos como el suyo. SueÒa con emplear a m·s redactores y tÈcnicos para ver crecer Radio Air Du Mboa. "Si tuviÈramos medios, podrÌamos hacer muchÌsimas cosas". El pasado 6 de febrero, tÈcnico y locutor pagaron de su bolsillo el desplazamiento a T·nger para cubrir el aniversario de las muertes del Tarajal. Se han dejado caer por la feria de agricultura de MeknÈs, celebrada en abril y han entrevistado al ministro marroquÌ de Agricultura, Aziz Akhannouch. TambiÈn hacen vÌdeos y seleccionan noticias de interÈs e informaciones pr·cticas para la comunidad inmigrante.

El programa es un magazine muy variado donde la informaciÛn tiene un papel importante. Cada media hora se emiten las crÛnicas sobre la actualidad africana que han enviado los corresponsales: "Las negociaciones en Mali en peligro, por la vuelta de las hostilidades entre el ejÈrcito y los grupos armados en el norte del paÌs". "El comportamiento del ejÈrcito de Burundi, en contradicciÛn con la ConstituciÛn". "El Foro Nacional de reconciliaciÛn de Madagascar anuncia el fin del arresto domiciliario del ex presidente Ravalomanana". Los locutores son periodistas freelance de paÌses como Guinea, Camer˙n, Costa de Marfil, Bruselas, Congo Brazaville. Tienen ocho que colaboran habitualmente, por amor al arte, para sostener el proyecto.

Hassan pasa un buen rato saludando a los oyentes. "Un saludo para Saga, que nos escucha desde SalÈ". "Un abrazo para el presidente del Consejo de Migrantes". "Desde Guinea nos escucha Sara". Los oyentes pueden participar y enviar comentarios a travÈs de la web. "No pueden llamar por telÈfono, porque no la mayorÌa no puede gastarse el dinero en eso", explica Hassan. Por la antena desfilan tambiÈn una especialista en medicina tradicional africana que habla de remedios naturales contra la disfunciÛn erÈctil y un pastor congoleÒo que vive

en Yousofia que da media hora de misa. El mes que viene quieren organizar una mesa de debate con economistas "pero tenemos que encontrar un lugar, porque algunos invitados no se atreven a venir al barrio. Hay agresiones regularmente", se lamenta.

Hassan se despide en antena: "AsÌ termina la emisiÛn interactiva de hoy. PodÈis visitarnos en nuestra web y tambiÈn enviarnos comentarios en Facebook y Twitter. Les espero maÒana a las nueve" (via JosÈ Miguel Romero2, Spain, condiglista yg via DXLD)

** NETHERLANDS [non]. Upcoming changes to the Mighty KBC

Following from Eric van Willegen.
"For a period of +/- 6 weeks.....more fun, more music.
Starting on May 24th on 9925 kHz.
00:00 - 01:00 Dave Mason - "It's Radio...But Not As We Know It"
01:00 - 02:00 Peter Quinn - Hits Across the Atlantic
02:00 - 03:00 Eric van Willegen - The Giant Jukebox"
73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, Krist, May 9, dxldyg via DXLD)

But what about your Lost Songs, still in the final hour? And what about Kim`s Radiograms? (Glenn, ibid.)

"Forgotten Song" continues somewhere within the final 15 minutes of the broadcast (in other words somewhere between 0245 UT and 03 UT).
73, (Kraig, KG4LAC, Krist, ibid.) Radiograms: see U S A with VOA

** NETHERLANDS [non]. Hi folks - We are celebrating Mothers Day with nice beutiful music Sunday 10th of May! Hobart Radio International joining with. Program includes also wishes to few contacts and friends of ours. Please join to our channel!
10th of May 2015 20-21 UT on 13800 kHz
Yours, (Dick on service, Radio Spaceshuttle
Radio Spaceshuttle International, May 9, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NEW ZEALAND. Saturday, May 9, 2015 --- Frequency change, R New Zealand International English
1746-1835 NF 11725*RAN 050 kW / 035 deg to Cooks, Samoa, Niue, Tonga, ex 9700
* till 1757 very strong co-ch China Radio International in Arabic via Cerrik (DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via WORLD OF RADIO 1733, DXLD)

** NIGERIA [and non]. 6090a, 0541, Radio Nigeria, Kaduna still the most reliable SW signal from Nigeria. Noted 13/3 on 6089.87 with news report in Hausa and commercials. Anguilla was absent this day, leaving Nigeria in clear but second very weak signal in background later identified as Bandeirantes, Brazil, on 6089.97 through parallel to

9645.4 (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), North Island, New Zealand, with Drake SPR4, AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

** NIGERIA [15-18:]. We can roughly say that VON operated only one transmitter from the late eighties onwards till 1995 or so, which then broke down and was replaced by three new ones in 1996 or so.

VON operated two transmitters in 1998 and from autumn 2001 to autumn 2004, only one transmitter the other times until 2012. In 2004, 2 x 18 hours of programmes a day were scheduled, but one transmitter had terrible audio, so programming was reduced to 18 hours a day again. So it seems that at this point, one of the 1996 transmitters was already completely defunct and a second severely damaged. I don't think that we heard more than the same one transmitter from IKO since.
...
Already in March 2012, when the station Abuja was officially opened, we heard two transmitters off-frequency in addition to the old one, roughly from 50 to 150 Hz to the low side, 41m often reported about 50 Hz low, 31-19m usually about 110-150 Hz. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, Germany, May 8, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WRTH says on page 446: ``Where transmitter details are given for a particular entity, the number of units shown represent the installed capability of the site, but do not reflect any details of transmitters being coupled/bridged (to increase overall power output), run at reduced power or remaining unused.``

It hasn't been possible to get up to date details about transmitters or schedule direct from the station, especially for Ikorodu. 73, (Mauno Ritola, WRTH, ibid.)

** NIGERIA. MAY 5: Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in English to NoAf 1550 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bzmQMwLzpOg&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in English to NoAf 1556 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D9qfk1w9pZ4&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in Swahili to WCAf 1614 on 9690 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4sVnOQNA_bE&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in Yoruba to WCAf 1640 on 9690 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8ZOjyQM32Kw&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in Igbo to WCAf 1709 on 9690 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ezTE9M8fIQU&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in Arabic to NoAf 1740 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=t-XDctp_rY0&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation via Ikorodu on May 5 and 6
0500-0700 on 15120 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf English
0700-0800 on 15120 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf French
0800-1000 on 15120 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf English
1500-1600 on 15120 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf English
1600-1630 on 9690 IKO 250 kW / 248 deg to ECAf Swahili
1630-1700 on 9690 IKO 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAf Yoruba
1700-1730 on 9690 IKO 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAf Igbo
1730-1800 on 15120 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf Arabic
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/voice-of-nigeria-with-awful-modulation.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD)

May 6: Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in English to NoAf 0505 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VCpH0cMPV68&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with usual modulation in English to NoAf 0600 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_F0bc4fzqWk&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in English to NoAf 0645 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pOPuJL6pUpo&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in French to NoAf 0702 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c8ktiaIKLCs&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with usual modulation in French to NoAf 0720 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PVDBazPR6ns&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with usual modulation in English to NoAf 0804 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mFngIc4bOlg&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

V of Nigeria English to NoAf vs R Saudi Int, Bengali to SoAs 0900 on
15120 Ikorodu vs Riyadh
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WYhRAm9h26s&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

New additional transmission of Voice of Nigeria was observed on May 7
0600-0700 on 9689.9 AJA 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAf Hausa weak signal but
audible:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/new-additional-transmission-of-voice-
of.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015,
via DXLD)

May 7:
Voice of Nigeria in Hausa to WCAf, new transmission 0605 on 9689.9
Abuja
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1oJL0XNyeGE&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria in Hausa to WCAf, new transmission 0615 on 9689.9
Abuja
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2nzxyoKSVV0&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in English to NoAf 0545 on
15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T-meOb3I0X8&feature=youtu.be

May 7: Voice of Nigeria in English to WCAf 1829 on 7254.9 Abuja
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5nOe9RFz6MU&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

[and non]. Voice of Nigeria and Belarusian Radio this morning May 8
15120, Voice of Nigeria in English and French with awful modulation
9690v, Voice of Nigeria in Hausa, no signal
 7255, Belarusian Radio 1 as scheduled A15. videos:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/voice-of-nigeia-and-belarusian-
radio.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

May 8: Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in English to NoAf 0530
on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ntLV-udz8VA&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with awful modulation in French to NoAf 0700 on 15120
Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=K3FUTgafboI&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with usual modulation in English to NoAf 0830 on
15120 Ikorodu

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=T_cW9s88D90&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria with usual modulation in English to NoAf 0904 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vF9KfLVIzHw&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

15120-, May 8 at 0528, VON is on, fair signal but distorted in presumed English, and carrier wobbling around slightly on the low side. Unlike yesterday, neither 9689.9 nor 7255 is on by 0600 in Hausa. Surprise2.

On May 9, Ivo Ivanov reported 9689.9 was audible in Hausa at 0616 May 8, but it must have really been May 9 as on his YouTube caption; unchecked by me this date (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Voice of Nigeria 0615-0630 UT on May 8:
Weak signal on 9689.9 in Hausa via Abuja
Strong signal, low modulation on 15120.0 in English via Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eyrY5nDHJ50&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=geEr9HRbaMg&feature=youtu.be
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wd9TRWhEOPI&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15120, Voice of Nigeria, Ikorodu, 0540-0545, escuchada el 9 de mayo de 2015 en inglÈs a locutora con comentarios y emisiÛn de m˙sica africana, se aprecia una modulaciÛn aceptable, SINPO 34433 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia) 39.513356, -0.410268, EspaÒa, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10 m, dxldyg via DXLD)

Unfortunately I didn't catch the beginning of the broadcast - if there is some "real" broadcast before 0600. But just after 0600, May 9: 7254.9//9689.9 clearly VON, I believe it's Hausa, this until 0628, then IS, dead air. 31m off at 0630, 41m at 0635 or so.

At 0726: Tent. VON already back on approximately 7254.95, but too weak to confirm any more than this fact even via US remote receivers. However, I compared on several receivers 7254.6 USB vs. 7255.3 LSB, and could always hear roughly the same artificial het to presumed VON carrier. So really quite close to 50 Hz below nominal (sorry I have no remote Perseus or so in the US to measure it more exactly ;-). 9690v not heard, presumed IKO on 15120, but with very low modulation and weaker than usual.

At 0810: No trace on 7255, but tiny signal on US remote receivers on 9689.9xx. If the method described is accurate enough, it's slightly less than 100 Hz below nominal, but definitely more than 50 Hz. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, May 9, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

15120, At 06-07 UT, Voice of Nigeria's English service to the northern Africa target suffers again an very annoying whine howl audio signal, on remote Perseus screen a broadband peak fence visible of 27 x times every 796 Hertz distance apart between 15098.5 and 15141.4 kHz range!

English program was heard at 0615 UT about traditional households, and marriage culture. S=9+25dB here in southern Germany. But from 0630 UT the Nigeria signal weakens down, and co-channel CRI Chinese program from 500 kW Beijing unit comes well ahead channel.

Nigeria is not on 7255v at 05-07 UT slot today. Belarus Radio Minsk Kalodzicy heard on even frequency 7255.0 kHz, and no 7254.9v kHz string was seen so far. wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, 0644 UT May 9, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

NIGERIA/MALI, 9689.918, exact footprint of V of Nigeria at 0805 UT May 9, heard only on threshold level in Florida remote unit, also Mali Bamako noted at same level on 9635.0 kHz. Peaks also seen in MA Boston and Edmonton Alberta, but lower than threshold level this morning.

Nothing of Ikorodu on 7254.921v visible so far now in 8-9 UT slot. 9690 some underground threshold signal at 0826 UT, must try it in coming days for better propagation condition (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

May 9:
Voice of Nigeria in Hausa to WCAf 0616 on 9689.9 Abuja
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eyrY5nDHJ50&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria in Hausa to WCAf 0620 on 9689.9 Abuja
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=geEr9HRbaMg&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria in English to NoAf 0625 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wd9TRWhEOPI&feature=youtu.be

Voice of Nigeria in Arabic to NoAf 1734 on 15120 Ikorodu
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GsamXpNLDT4&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

11769.906, Two men talk in Hausa language at 2140 UT on May 9, Voice of Nigeria Abuja on S=9+15dB or -58 dBm signal strength, noted here in southern Germany, some scratches heard also in background from thunderstorms performing somewhere in Mediterranean wb (Wolfgang B¸schel, ibid.)

15120, Voice of Nigeria, Ikorodu, 0518-0535, 10-05, English and Vernacular, comments, identification: "Voice of Nigeria", vernacular songs. At 0530 interference from China Radio International. 32332

(Manuel MÈndez, Lugo, Spain, Logs in Lugo, Grundig Satellit 500, Tecsun PL-880, Sony ICF SW7600G, Cable antenna, 8 meters and Degen 31MS active loop antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9689.9, May 10 at 0557, hilife music and drumming prÈlude as V. of Nigeria is on here again; stronger than // 7254.9, also off-frequency to low side but somewhat less off than 9690-. Compared to 7250 for Vatican Radio, that`s JBA if still on. 0600 both sign-on in Hausa; 9690- is a bit distorted, and now 7255 has a fast SAH with slight echo, leading me to suspect the *two* VON transmitter sites are BOTH on 7255v now! I.e. three transmitters total again, while nothing is audible on 15120. As usual I shortly doze off but reawaken briefly at 0643 to find that 7255- is off, but 9690- is still on with music (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENIG DIGEST)

VON was Hausa before until IS at 0628, then music only, then off, and at 0725, 7254.9 is already on again warming up for again Hausa at 0730, which will be probably replaced at 0800 by 9689.9 for another Hausa segment. A naturally grown schedule ;-) (Thorsten Hallmann, Germany, May 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7254.922, Ikorodu and 9689.918, Abuja - presumably outlet centers - were the two footprints of Voice of Nigeria's morning "West African sing-sang program", performed by woman at about 0650 UT on May 10th, Voice of Nigeria Abuja on S=8 or -82 dBm signal strength, noted on all North American remote SDR units checked, at best in Florida and Michigan, but also more than fair in Massachusetts, Rochester NY, Calgary-Winnipeg, and Edmonton Alberta, weak and tiny signal in the far west at Vancouver island.

7255v signal was a little bit of 'wobbly' kind, but 9690v had fine clear audio, no whine, no whistle tone at all. 7254.922 signed-off at 0657 UT, and 9689.918 kHz followed s-off by 0703 UT. Nothing of any broadcast noted on 15120 kHz in this half hour.

7254.939, Voice of Nigeria reliable English language audio service, scheduled 18-20 UT, noted with www address internet URL given lady announcer, fade-in time into southern Germany. S=7 steadily increasing signal during grey line phase (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, May 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST) No time, but in between 1810 and 1830 UT logs in chrono order (gh)

May 10: Voice of Nigeria in Hausa to WCAf 2113 on 11769.9 Abuja https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SNkhLQ_LtnA&feature=youtu.be (Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

NIGERIA and BELARUS, Voice of Nigeria and Belarusian Radio on May 11 0600-0700 9689.9 AJA 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAf Hausa Voice of Nigeria

0500-0700 15120.0 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf English V of Nigeria
0400-0700 7255.0 MNS 125 kW / 072 deg to EaEu Belarussian BelarusianR
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/voice-of-nigeria-and-belarusian-radio.html
(Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, 1053 UT May 11, dxldyg via DXLD)

Anomaly of Voice of Nigeria in Monday, May 11
1700-1730 9690 IKO 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAf English, instead of Igbo
1730-1800 15120 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf English, instead of Arabic + DRM
from 1752 15120vAJA 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAf English DRM, scheduled from 1800
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/anomaly-of-voice-of-nigeria-in-monday.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, May 12, ibid.)

7255 & 9690, May 12 at 0615 check, poor signals, but can make them // so VON is on again with presumed Hausa, but much degraded propagation tonight (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Anomaly of Voice of Nigeria continues on May 12
1630-1730 9690 IKO 250 kW / 248 deg to WCAf English, instead of Yoruba and Igbo, videos
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/anomaly-of-voice-of-nigeria-in-monday.html
At 1740 on 15120 in Arabic, as scheduled (Ivo Ivanov, ibid.)

15120, Voice of Nigeria, Ikorodu, 1735-1752, escuchada el 12 de mayo de 2015 en ·rabe; comienza la emisiÛn tarde irrumpiendo la seÒal con fuerza, locutor con presentaciÛn, anuncia Internet, locutor con comentarios, de vez en cuando unas notas interpretadas por instrumento de percusiÛn, segmento m˙sica africana, SINPO 44444 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia) 39.513356, -0.410268, Spain, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Observation of Voice of Nigeria in 0600-0630 UT slot May 13:
0600-0630 9689.9 AJA 250 kW / 248 deg WCAf Hausa, some days till 0700
0600-0630 15120.0 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg NoAf English, scheduled 05-0700
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/observation-of-voice-of-nigeria-in-0600.html
(Ivo Ivanov, ibid.)

7255 // 9690, May 14 at 0620, VON on again both undermodulated in presumed Hausa (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

[and non]. vs SAUDI ARABIA, Voice of Nigeria vs R Saudi International:
0900-1000 15120 IKO 250 kW / 007 deg to NoAf English Voice of Nigeria
0900-1200 15120 RIY 500 kW / 070 deg to SoAs Bengali Radio Saudi Int.

http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/voice-of-nigeria-vs-radio-saudi.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD) No Date given

** NIGERIA [non]. Cancelled transmissions:
Hamada Radio International, no signal from April 27:
0530-0600 on 11740 NAU 125 kW / 185 deg to WeAf Hausa
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD)

** NORTH AMERICA. QSL: Pirate (USA [sic]), 6945, AM X-FM Shortwave. Recíed QSL #853 from Redhat, with apolozies for the extended delay, plus the schedule of that broadcast, in 8 months (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, Canada, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE-NA. Channel X, 6950 USB, 2351-0015+, 05-03/4-15, SIO: 444. Apparent new station, talk by OM with frequent IDs, announcer bit angry at times as he told us to "go f--k yourselves", played tunes by Suicidal Tendencies, Dead Kennedy's, TSOL, The Germs, Fear, Agent Orange. Claimed to have a bunch of t shirts for sale. Sign off with [I think] the old Radio Moscow Interval Signal (Chris Lobdell, Box 80146, Stoneham, MA 02180 USA, Receivers: Eton E1, NRD-545; Aerials: G5RV, 40 Meter Dipole, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** NORTH AMERICA. PIRATE-NA unID. 6935 AM/DSB(?) 0232+ 10 May. Very distorted signal with Pure Prairie League's "Amy", off after about 30 seconds and perhaps same station back at 0238-0240* but JBA/imaginary-level audio by then. No logs from the HF Underground folks on this one, alas (Dan Sheedy, Encinitas, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1120, May 8 at 1711 UT, KEOR/KETU is off again, and still off at 2145 UT. Still off at 1544 UT May 9. Have we heard the last of ``La Picuda``? Anyway, I guess the license is secure for a while longer, whatever it is, without bothering to broadcast daily.

1120, Sunday May 10 at 1610 UT, definite carrier from the direxion of Sperry, i.e. KEOR/KETU on the air again, but hardly any modulation.

1120, May 11 at 1524 UT, KETU/KEOR carrier is on, from the direxion of Sperry but very weak and can`t make out any modulation. This is one of its characteristic modes, which could last for months: transmitter on at much reduced power, accomplishing nothing.

1120, May 11 around 1830 UT on caradio, where I can have better reception of Catoosa/Sperry/Tulsa ``La Picuda`` when on --- open carrier still quieting compared to e.g. 1110 with no signal from KFAB or anything.

1120, May 12 at 1611 UT check on PL-880, now NO signal, not even with BFO, from KEOR/KETU, but you never know what they will do next, or when.

1120, May 13 at 1654 UT, KEOR/KETU Catoosa/Sperry/Tulsa, is back on after a few days of dead carrier or no carrier --- regional Mexican music, presumably resuming `La Picuda` syndication out of L¡, still past 1710 UT altho I missed any non-IDs circa hourtop (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1210, May 10 at 0120 UT, ``Today`s Country, 1210, KGYN`` and plug their Facebook, /kgynguymon --- that doesn`t work, but there`s something at /kgyn1210 while the top hit on google, /KGYN-AM-Guymon is still there since last used in 2011.

Robert Wien`s Broadcasting Information in the May 9 IRCA DX Monitor includes: ``1210 KGYN Guymon, OK was Cumulus Todayís Best Country, now Westwood One Mainstream Country``

Same flip applies to many other C&W stations (in OK, 1260 KWSH Wewoka), but ``Today`s Country`` slogan I just heard contradicts that, altho ``Best`` was omitted. So does the WW1 format axually ID on air as ``Mainstream Country``, or what? And is KGYN`s admittedly no longer the Best? Still unclear whether this mean KGYN`s own longtime slogan is no longer ``US Country`` which I am still not hearing, but is still on its website. My impression was ``US Country`` was specific to KGYN even if most of the programming was coming from some network bird or another (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1320-, May 8 at 1718 UT, KCLI Clinton OK is open carrier/dead air for at least a minute or two; next check 1817 UT after lunch, it`s in the fifth inning of a silly baseball game between Bethany and Clinton, ``Red Tornado Baseball on 1320 KCLI``.

1320-, May 9 at 1249 UT, ads for somethings in 817 AC = Fort Worth, and in Louisiana, but DF for Clinton, and definitely off-frequency to the low side, making low audible het with Fort Smith. The latter is not audible on daytime groundwave, so one would be unaware KCLI is imprecise (Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 1640, May 9 at 0524 UT, KZLS Enid-Hennessey-OKC is open carrier/dead air, and still/again? so at next check 1241 UT with some hum. There had been more storms and power outages around OKC and other areas, even Enid, but not for me. I suppose the remote transmitter site when losing power or STL may require at least a human visit to reset. Suddenlink cable & internet vanished for me at 0020 UT and were out all evening, so I headed first for the monitoring studio at 0058-

0135.

1640, May 11 at 1200 UT, KZLS Enid-Hennessey-OKC, yet again open carrier/dead air with some hum. Not checked again until 1538 UT when it is remodulating. Storm/power outage could be no excuse this time. Amazing how cavalierly some stations are managed around here (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. Glenn, can you confirm if KWHW is off frequency, say 1449.877???? I heard its 2nd harmonic this morning on 2899.753. Itís quite a haul from OK. Thanks!! 73 (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, May 14, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Dave, Very interesting. I`ll have to look for that. Did not see this until 14 UT, but checking under daytime groundwave conditions, I don`t hear a carrier offset there. Normally it`s a tossup here between the other two Okies on 1450, with no KWHW (Glenn Hauser, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

OK, thanks Glenn. I know you mentioned KWHW in some of your older reports, but I didn't know what you would normally hear on 1450 (Dave Valko, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

2899.75 harmonic, USA, KWHW, Altus OK (2 X 1450 harmonic). Found with reasonable audio at 0946. 0947 end of weather by live M announcer giving temp and ID as "....high of 83. That's the forecast on ?? Country KWHW". The word before "Country" is possibly "Pure" per its given slogan, but I'm not 100% sure. Went into a C&W version of ìCrazyî by Aerosmith then. More C&W songs followed. Seemed to go over 1000 ToH without ID, but it seemed there was one later around 1003. It`s listed as only 668 watts. This 2nd harmonic would put the fundamental on 1449.877. That's quite a bit off frequency; I don't see anything there. Surprised to ID this. (14 May) (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, HCDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD) Heard here from May 15 (gh, OK)

** OKLAHOMA [non]. Summer A-15 of Eternal Good News with George Bryan
1130-1145 15525 DHA 250 kW / 100 deg SoAs English Fri BABCOCK
0445-0500 11635 HRI 250 kW / 047 deg WeEu English Sat WHRI Angel 2
1700-1715 15215 MOS 100 kW / 115 deg N/ME English Sat Media Broadcast
1730-1745 21600 HRI 250 kW / 085 deg CeAf English Sat WHRI Angel 1
1830-1845 6130 NAU 100 kW / 090 deg EaEu English Sat Media Broadcast
1230-1245 9930 HBN 100 kW / 318 deg EaAs English Sun T8WH Angel 3
1815-1830 11855 NAU 100 kW / 105 deg WeAs English Sun Media Broadcast
2100-2115 15530 HRI 250 kW / 047 deg WeEu English Sun WHRI Angel 2
2345-2400 7315 HRI 250 kW / 173 deg CeAm English Sun WHRI Angel 2
0200-0215 7385 HRI 100 kW / 315 deg WNAm English Mon WHRI Angel 6
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/summer-15-of-eternal-good-news-with.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, May 11, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

Why OKLAHOMA? Gospel-huxter based in Edmond, as on page 497 of WRTH, awarded status of a ``station`` rather than a mere program, which in fact it is. The WRTH entry shows ONLY the first broadcast, 15525 via UAE; either it`s greatly expanded, or simply overlooked the others buried in WHR program schedules where they belong, likely the latter (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OKLAHOMA. 91.7, Tue May 12 at 1345 UT, KOSU Stillwater/OKC with monthly show pre-empting part of NPR Morning Edition: `The Living Room with Gerry Bonds`, OK-themed interviews on wide variety of topix. Details:

``Literacy and Language. May 2015 --- Our program was preempted on May 6th due to severe weather. It will be re-broadcast Wednesday, May 13th at 6:30 pm [2330 UT]

Have you ever heard of a ìbook desert?î Book scarcity is a harsh realty in high poverty communities, not only in Oklahoma, but in many parts of the USA, and the world, for that matter. What weíll be tackling in The Living Room this month is the challenge of turning book scarcity into book abundance for very young children. You know what I mean --- those wonderful early childhood picture books that so many of us remember for the rest of our lives. Unite for Literacy is a Colorado-based enterprise that is dedicated to eliminating book deserts. Go to their website http://uniteforliteracy.com and youíll see a library of free digital picture books narrated for kids in 27 languages. Recently, KOSU teamed up with Unite for Literacy. Their goals? Get kids excited about reading and then make sure they have access to books, no matter what language they speak. Our first guests are Unite for Literacy CEO, Mike McGuffee, is here, and with him KOSU Director, Kelly Burley. LISTEN NOW

During our second segment, we discuss the fact that Oklahoma is one of 18 so-called hot spots identified around the world where native languages are disappearing. For some tribes, like the Cherokees, the preservation effort has made good progress. Even the Unite for Literacy Project has 50 children's books in the Cherokee language as part of its free online library. But for some other tribes, it continues to be a real struggle and a race against time. Weíll talk about two of those tribes with some very special guests: Lori Hamilton is Executive Officer of the History & Culture Division of the Chickasaw Nation and Justin McBride, Language Director of the Kaw Nation. LISTEN NOW``. Audio:
http://www.thelivingroomgb.com/sites/thelivingroom/uploads/media/audio/Season_400/TLR_409.mp3
(Glenn Hauser, Enid, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** OMAN. 9500 & 9740, May 9 at 0104, no signals from RSO, but a JBA carrier on 15140, so maybe that`s where it`s misplaced tonight.

9500, May 10 at 0141, fair signal but very undermodulated, seems Arabic, as if RSO is on proper frequency tonite (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PALAU. Cancelled broadcasts of World Harvest Radio International 1300-1400 on 9965 HBN 100 kW / 318 deg to EaAs English Mon-Sat T8WH 3 No signal from May 1. My last recording on April 27

Cancelled broadcasts of clandestine program Radio Que Me 1200-1230 on 9930 HBN 100 kW / 318 deg to EaAs Vietnamese Fri T8WH 3 No signal on May 8. My last recordings on April 10: http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/cancelled-broadcasts-via-t8wh-3-palau.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD) But it was back on May 15; see 15-20

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 3365, NBC Milne Bay at 1244, Tok Pisin, pop music, female announcer with mention of NBC - Poor, May 10 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, listening in my car, by the lake and using the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Harold - Yes, this seems to be the only NBC station broadcasting recently. No 3205, 3260, 3275, 3385 or 3905. Wantok Radio Light continues with nice reception (Ron Howard, ibid.)

** PAPUA NEW GUINEA. 7324.955 (Wolfy's measurement), Wantok Radio Light, 0854-0957, May 12. Syndicated "Fresh Touch" preaching in English ending with promo from their local PNG sponsor; PNG bird call; into the NBC National News and weather in English (long item about the Bougainville elections, new quake in Nepal, etc.); 0913 usual "thanks" NBC for news relay; promo for "NASFUND" savings & road safety PSA; promo at 0930 for "Ninety-Nine Ltd. is happy to bring you Focus on the Family. Ninety-Nine is a company that introduces popular health products to keep the family healthy and strong"; into the "Focus on the Family" with interview with author Lysa TerKeurst; mostly fair till hit at 0957 with CRI transmitter turned on (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7324.958, Wantok Radio Light, boys chorus and followed by ID at 0830 UT, "Fresh Touch" - message of the day, S=8-9, in peaks S=9+5dB, 0831 UT given address PNGCBN, Box 1276, Port Moresby, PNG (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, a mail of some morning 0800-0835 UT notes on Wed May 13 logged on remote unit in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, dxldyg

via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. IPDA from Brasil on 820 in Lima: see BRAZIL [and non]

Radio Carr·viz, Juliaca on 1570 carries IPDA programing at all times, usually but probably not exclusively in Spanish. I say probably, because I have heard David Miranda [Jr or Sr?] in Portuguese satellite feeds from S„o Paulo IPDA HQ on stations in Colombia and Per˙. Radio Carr·viz has a characteristic wobbling modulation, which makes it stand out against others on the channel. This station is fairly common in northern Europe. Co-channel Bethel does not carry IPDA (Henrik Klemetz via RealDX Yahoo Group via May NZ DX Times via DXLD) Heard here recently (Bryan Clark, NZ, ibid.)

** PERU. 1130.9, 0634, UNID LATIN noted here 9 May. According to Fredrik DourÈn reporting to the RealDX Yahoo Group on 11 May, this is the new split for Radio Bacan Sat in Lima which Iíve previously heard on the low side of 1130 (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), North Island, New Zealand, with Drake SPR4, AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

** PERU. 4747.6, R. Huanta 2000, Huanta, 2255-2304, 08/5, castelhano, canıes Ìndias, an˙ncios comerciais, programa de propaganda religiosa; 45433.

4774.9, R. Tarma, Tarma, 2250-2305, 08/5, castelhano, canÁıes e m˙sica Ìndias, an˙ncios informativos e de programaÁ„o, ao que se seguiu a rubrica Antena Deportiva; 45444.

4810, R. Logos, Chazuta, 2306-2312, 08/5 castelhano e quÌchua (presumido), an˙ncios v·rios, m˙sica Ìndia, propaganda religiosa; 34332, QRM de CODAR.

4955, R. Cultural Amauta, Huanta, 2235-2243, 09/5, castelhano, canÁıes Ìndias, an˙ncios comerciais; 35342. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4774.9, Per˙, Radio Tarma. Tarma, 1000 sign on rustic OS [old school??] music, Buenos DÌas by om, ìkiloHertz onda media Öonda cortaì 1010, beautiful flauta andina 7 May (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, Drake R8, Icom 746 Pro, NRD 525, DXSF 1981-2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PERU. 4810, Per˙, Radio Logos, Chazuta, Tarapoto, 1015 om yl mentioning KiloHertz followed by time check. ute interferences seem absent as has 6 kHz wide filter with the R8 locked in AM, 7 April [May?] (Robert Wilkner, Pompano Beach, South Florida, Drake R8, Icom

746 Pro, NRD 525, DXSF 1981-2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4810, R. Logos, OC on at 0851:00, and long choral NA start at 0853:25. 0856 M with ID and frequency, then canned ID with call, another short canned announcement, and live M with speech briefly and into beautiful rustic flute music. In the clear without the ute on, but ever-present CODAR QRM. Poor signal amid geomagnetic storm. (13 May) 4810, Logos in the clear at 0955, but not very strong. (14 May) (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD)

** PERU. 5980, May 9 at 0059, JBA carrier from R. Chaski (presumably still relaying Red Radio Integridad in the evenings), until cutoff at 0110:50.5* which is 11.5 seconds later than two nights ago = 5.75 per on average.

5980, May 10 at 0055, JBA carrier from R. Chaski, and a trace of overtime Cuban pulse jamming; also storm noise worse on the lower bands, but the lightning area is further away from us tonight than the last few. So I am still able to clock the cutoff which is at 0110:57* or 6.5 seconds later than last night (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES. Three outlets of Radio Pilipinas program noted at 1830 UT with newsreel read by lady announcer in rather Filipino than English language, 9925 S=9+10dB, 12120 S=9+15dB, and 15190 S=9+10dB, all signal sidelobes from IBB Tinang relay site towards southern Germany receiving post (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, May 10, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1733, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PHILIPPINES. QSL: 7410, ìVoice of Loveî, FEBC Cambodia. Recíed an e-mail reply within 7 days, with a cover letter, plus a nice .pdf E-QSL showing the FEBC Iba/Zambales Transmission Tower site, with full data statement. Truly a very nice reply from this small station. My report went to: info@febcambodia.org and Hern.sopheary@febcambodia.org V/S: Nhore Estabillo (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, Canada, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PRIDNESTROVYE. QSL: Moldova, 9400, Denge Kurdistan (Voice of Kurdistan) via Kishinev-Grigoriopol, PMR. Full data (with name of program) E-mail QSL of towers at Grigoriopol, reply in 24 hours, prtc@idknet.com for an e-mail with attached audio file in MP3 format. V/s: Sergey Omelchenko. The V/s is very friendly and responds to all inquiries (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, Canada, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PUERTO RICO [and non]. 810, WKVM San Juan, 0955-105 [sic], carrying EWTN Spanish religious programming in // with 830 WACC Hialeah; these have been in before but not for over a year, usually WACC is stronger,

but this morning WKVM was. April 30 (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** PUNTLAND. 13800, SOMALIA (PUNTLAND), Radio Puntland, 2356-0000, regional music, fair but seemed somewhat distorted and actually better on 13799, off at 0000 April 27 (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Initial testing period ran all night? But not since? (gh, DXLD)

UNIDENTIFIED. 13800, 0619 with talk format here 3 May at poor strength, fading. Possibly the new Radio Puntland in NE Somalia (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), North Island, New Zealand, with Drake SPR4, AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

SOMALIA, Puntland Radio One on May 4 - three hours ONLY prayers: 1300-1600 on 13800 Garowe 020 kW / ND to EaAf Somali CUSB, videos http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/puntland-radio-one-on-may-4-three-hours.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD)

13800, May 4, 1834, R Puntland still going on 13800 at 1834 tune with canned ID loop and HOA music (Perseus site in St. Paul AB VE6JY); SINPO 25332 with somewhat bothersome local noise. Abrupt s/off in the middle of an ID loop at 1848. Today's broadcast was just short of 6.5 hours total - circa 1230 to 1848 (Bruce Churchill via DXPlorer, via SW Bulletin May 10 via DXLD)

** PUNTLAND. May 4: Puntland Radio One 1320 on 13800 CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=weDj8HgwkoM&feature=youtu.be

Puntland Radio One 1345 on 13800 CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ORIndxiT7sQ&feature=youtu.be

Puntland Radio One 1420 on 13800 CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sUAn_dlvUu8&feature=youtu.be

Puntland Radio One 1445 on 13800 CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8rc26PbF15U&feature=youtu.be

Puntland Radio One 1545 on 13800 CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sravpm3VfNY&feature=youtu.be

Puntland Radio One, English and Somali announcements and music 1756 on 13800 CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5lL1iB4EtE4&feature=youtu.be

Puntland Radio One, HOA music 1800 on 13800 CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XVy1orimv2s&feature=youtu.be

Puntland Radio One, English and Somali announcements and music 1811 on 13800 CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fvbgsIrFJgM&feature=youtu.be

May 5:
Puntland Radio One, prayers 1310 on 13800 CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nA4KWgE5rGQ&feature=youtu.be

Puntland Radio One, Somali px 1455 on 13800 CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tSOhXa-Sl8A&feature=youtu.be

Puntland Radio One, prayers 1555 on 13800 CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OEPsKRPPpfU&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

[non-log] 13800, Radio Puntland One (Garowe) 1330+ 7 May. Only nasty whine'n'grind noise heard on the 7th, while checks on 8 May at 1337, 1401, 1446 produced just an OC (which could be anyone, I suppose, but I'll take a chance & say it's RPO with no modulation). (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13800, May 8 at 1300, JBA carrier detectable, so I guess R. Puntland Uno is back on today (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13800 (AM+USB), Puntland Radio One. May 9, poor at tune in of 1149, with random monitoring till tuned out at 1436, at which time was fair. Summary:

1149-1254: Program of HOA music and songs; many IDs (Italian [OM], English [OM] and Somali [YL]).

1254: Start of reciting from the Qur'an, till 1358; few IDs.

1400: In English - "No one knows the secret" (heard on my audio clip at 02:10); program of pop HOA songs and many IDs; 1405 gave back-to-back IDs. Audio at
https://app.box.com/s/6a2pqjmgkfg4qq7xmcr0tvfiqhzeur5d
(Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

May 9:
Puntland Radio One, HOA music 1435 on 13800 Garowe CUSB
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4vj0ESSPCQM&feature=youtu.be

HCJB Russian to CeAs vs Puntland Radio 1 Somali to EaAf 1555 on 13800 Mossbrunn vs Garowe
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9D4q16j9_ys&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

13800-CUSB, May 9 at 1327, much better signal at poor level with Qur`an, so definitely on today.

Edward Kusalik tells me it was also coming in quite well in Alberta with Koran after 1300; Mick Delmage, further north in central Alberta, tells me it was best at 1405 to 1425 after the Qur`an period, via long path at 220 degrees (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

13800, Radio Puntland, May 9 breaking above the noise floor and coming with Kor`an recitations at 1300 plus. Best heard on the longwire, amazing reception, after days of no trace of them. The Propagation Gods are smiling today down on me! Nothing heard prior to 1232 (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Additional note, still coming at 1320 with remarkable strength (Edward Kusalik, cumbredx via DXLD)

Radio Puntland made it through today to Central Alberta. Just a het [carrier] yesterday. Tune in at 1356 UT with Qur`an, then music at 1400 followed by multi language IDs. I have to go over my recording now as I decided to turn the log to 220 degrees which was much better via long path. Still in at 1432 (another ID loop) but fading away. Best for me between 1405 to 1425, May 9/15 (Mick Delmage, Sherwood Park, AB, Collins HF2050, KLM Log Periodic 7-30 MHz May 9, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I always felt it was reaching North America by longpath (gh, DXLD)

Good going Mick. My sked hasn't let me check every day, but had a decent signal on the 5th. Unfortunately that had the Qur`an, went past 1430 with no IDs. 73, (Nigel Pimblett, Alberta, ibid.)

Here is the best ID of the morning. Would have been real nice at Don`s with the less QRN. Just past 1408 UT this AM. 73 (Mick Delmage, ibid.)

6160 & 13800 both announced, generically, as Puntland Radio; but email address as Puntlandradioone@gmail.com or call 00252 90 760 3698????

Still heard at 1713 with Qur`an programme, but not anymore at 1735. Fair signal. So broadcasting times are seeming still highly variable. 73 (Thorsten Hallmann, May 9, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Puntland Radio 13800 kHz, 1245 UT in best via long path with songs,

multi language ID at 1248:30. Poor but building. May 10, 2015 (Mick Delmage, Sherwood Park, AB, Rx Collins HF 2050, Ant KLM 7-30 MHz Log periodic at 220 degrees, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Looks as though Puntland Radio went off at 1336 mid or just after Qur`an that has been on for some time now ([since] 1250 UT). So as someone reported last week, perhaps off early on Sundays. They were coming in very nicely in USB until then (Delmage, ibid., later)

13800, SOMALIA, Radio Puntland, tentative, at 1256 with Kor`anic singing through top of the hour, same at periodic checks, getting weaker by 1325, either faded out or went off the air sometime between 1330 and 1400 - Poor, May 10 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, listening in my car, by the lake and using the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Harold - Went off the air early today. Was doing fine earlier. At 1138, heard what sounded like the news in Somali, with musical bridges between items; at 1142 start of the HOA music segment; slowly improving the whole time (Ron Howard, CA, May 10, ibid.)

13800, May 10 at 1255 or so, JBA carrier so presumed R. Puntland One is on today.

GERMANY vs SOMALIA, HCJB The Voice of Andes vs Puntland Radio One
1530-1600 13800 MOS 100 kW / 095 deg CeAs Russian Sat HCJB
1600-1630 13800 MOS 100 kW / 095 deg CeAs Chechen Sat HCJB
0600-1800 13800 GRW 020 kW / non-dir EaAf Somali/It/En CUSB Puntland R
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/hcjb-voice-of-andes-vs-puntland-radio.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD)

Puntland Radio on May 11 with HOA misic, ID and prayers
1430-1600 on 13800 GRW 020 kW / non-dir to EaAf It/En/Somali CUSB
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/puntland-radio-on-may-11-with-hoa-misic.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, May 12, dxldyg via DXLD)

[and non]. 13800, May 13 at 1307, JBA carrier presumably R. Puntland, but QRM from stronger intruder on 13798-USB, 2-way in colloquial Spanish! Next day May 14 at 1332, intruder again, no Puntland (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ROMANIA. 15170 good // weaker 13650, May 9 at 2055, RRI sign-off giving frequencies for the 22-23 & 00-01 UT next English broadcasts. Seemed like they were playing the wrong closing, but maybe it was a preview.

9520 good // 7335 fair, May 10 at 0142, RRI Romanian service with regular UT Sunday classical concert, playing Rachmaninov piano concerto to 0146 outro over applause (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RUSSIA. Briefing --- RUSSIAíS PROPAGANDA WAR
Vladimir Putinís government is engaged in a global Orwellian campaign to sow confusion and undermine the West. What is Russia doing?

Since it annexed Crimea a year ago, Russia has launched an all-out disinformation campaign on multiple fronts. State-run international news channels and websites such as RT and Sputnik give a pro-Kremlin slant to real news stories, and spread outright lies and outlandish conspiracy theories. State agencies and private firms employ platoons of bloggers who scour Western and Russian news sites for articles about Russia or Ukraine and swamp them with pro-Kremlin comments. Russian agencies have set up news websites in several East European languages.

The order to create this propaganda campaign, on which the Kremlin spends an estimated $600 million a year, came straight from the top: President Vladimir Putin said in 2012 that Russia would develop ìa matrix of tools and methods to reach foreign policy goals without the use of arms but by exerting information and other levers of influence.î The propaganda is surprisingly successful in sowing confusion. ìJournalists are taught to report both sides,î said Rick Stengel, former managing editor of Time and now a U.S. undersecretary of state. ìWhen the Kremlin says there are no Russian soldiers in Crimea, they have to repeat it. How do you combat someone who just makes stuff up?î

What tools does the Kremlin use?

One primary tool is the television network RT, which was called Russia Today until authorities renamed it to obscure the Russian connection. RT has cable and satellite channels in Englishóincluding RT America, which potentially reaches 85 million viewers. It covers current events in the U.S., focusing on police brutality, protests, and poverty, but it also produces wacky segments investigating whether, for example, the CIA created Ebola.

Few Americans watch RT, and one of its anchors quit after publicly disavowing the ìliesî that she and others were ordered to tell about the conflict in Ukraine. But the web version, RT.com, does have reach. It became the first news channel to rack up 1 billion views on YouTube. In the past year, the main theme has been the supposed rise of neo-Nazi groups and fascism in Ukraineómaking pro-Russian

separatists the good guys.

How are stories faked?

StopFake, a Ukrainian myth-busting site run by journalism students, has documented hundreds of fake photos spread by Russian news sites and social media. Peter Pomerantsev, a leading authority on Russian propaganda efforts, says that stories alleging that Ukrainian fascist gangs, trained by NATO, had murdered children were popping up all over these sites in early 2014, when Russia was taking over Crimea and fomenting unrest in eastern Ukraine.

StopFake traced the photos back to their original sources and found that some were from past Ukrainian conflicts, some were from crime scenes in other countries, and some were actually stills from movies. The group also discovered that Russian news shows were using actors to play weeping or wounded victims and tell tales of Ukrainian government brutality. Russians call this maskirovka, or masqueradeóan information war to accompany actual war.

What about East European sites?

Dozens of pro-Russian news sites have cropped up in the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, and Bulgaria. Fluently written in the local languages, the sites carry the same kinds of faked photos and articles about supposed Ukrainian fascism as well as skillfully argued analyses extolling Russiaís benevolent intentions. Czech counterintelligence has flagged one of the sites, Aeronet.cz, as ìa source of dangerous pro-Russian propaganda.î

Earlier this year, when a NATO convoy passed through Czech territory, several of these Czech sites reported that the local population was outraged by the incursion of ìforeignî troops. In fact, the convoy was greeted with Czech throngs waving U.S. flags.

What do the Kremlinís bloggers do?

Russia has a 24-hour ìtroll factoryî in St. Petersburg, where hundreds of employees work in 12-hour shifts writing pro-Putin comments on Western and Russian news articles, fabricating their own news stories, creating and posting satirical videos, and posting tweets and Facebook updates from fake profiles. ìThey bombard the websites of CNN and the BBC,î says one former employee, Marat Burkhard.

One dayís assignment, he said, was to assert that NATO troops had been embedded with Ukrainian forces all along. Another was to call President Obama an uncultured ìmonkeyî for chewing gum during his January visit to India. ìYou work in the Ministry of Truth, which is

the Ministry of Lies, and everyone kind of believes in this truth,î says Burkhard. ìItís Orwell.î

Whatís the ultimate goal?

To give the Kremlin plausible deniability of its aggressive activities, and create sympathy for Russia in the old Soviet bloc. In eastern Ukraine, Pomerantsev says, Russian media managed ìto create a parallel reality where ëfascistsí have taken power in Kiev, ethnic Russians in eastern Ukraine are in mortal danger, and the CIA is waging a war against Moscow.î

Russia recently launched a similar campaign in former Soviet republic Estonia, which has a large ethnic Russian population. In March, Russian-language television in Estonia broadcast a faked clip purporting to show Estonian government support for Nazismóa clear attempt to foment another pro-Russian uprising. ìThis is a new idea of war,î Pomerantsev says. ìThis is information-psychological war with endless subversion.î

Putinís movie star pals [sidebar]
Putin pal Seagal defending Russia on RT television [caption]

To bolster Vladimir Putinís cult of personality, the Kremlin cultivates washed-up Western movie stars. Action hero Steven Seagal, for example, is a personal friend of the Russian leader. Both men have black belts in martial arts, and palling around with Seagal helps bolster Putinís ultramacho image. ìHe is one of the greatest world leaders, if not the greatest world leader, alive today,î Seagal has said of Putin. On a boxing tour of Russia last year, actor Mickey Rourke wore a Putin T-shirt and said Putin was ìa real good regular guy.î Another Putin admirer, French actor GÈrard Depardieu, even accepted Russian citizenship as a way of avoiding French taxes. He has praised the Russiansí ìpowerful temperament,î adding, ìOne must be very strong to be Russian.î (The Week, May 15, via DXLD)

** RWANDA. 6055, 1912, Radio Rwanda, Kigali, on its final transmission day 29/3 in French, poor to fair, over/mixed co-channel CRI in French. English ident for Radio Rwanda and news at 1931. Clear from 1957 but fading (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), North Island, New Zealand, with Drake SPR4, AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

** RWANDA. QSL: 17800, AWR, French to Africa via Kigali. Full data (with site & AWR Kigali Radio Stamp) 2 - QSL cards, of AWR-Voice of Hope & series of 3 QSL radio stamps series. This for two postal reports to Indianapolis address. Reply in 26 days. V/s: Dr. Adrian

Peterson DX Editor (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, Canada, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** RWANDA [non]. FRANCE, Radio Inyabutatu was back again on shortwave on Sat, May 9:
1600-1700 21480 ISS 100 kW / 144 deg CEAf Kinyarwanda Sat, cancelled
1800-1900 17605 ISS 100 kW / 144 deg SoAf Kinyarwanda Sat, 3 videos:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-inyabutatu-was-back-again-on.html
-- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, May 10, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

Radio Inyabutatu, anuncia 17605 kHz de 20:00 a 21:00 hora de Rwanda -- Saludos cordiales, no he podido traducir esta nota de Radio Inyabutatu, pero parece anunciar nueva frecuencia en 17605, aunque estoy chequeando a las 1815 UT y no capto nada.

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http://www.radioinyabutatu.org

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Radio Inyabutatu ifite ububasha bwo kwumvwa níabantu bari kumugabane wa Afurika, kumugabane wíUburayi, ku mugabane wa Aziya, ku mugabane wa Amerika yíamajyaruguru (Leta zunze ubumwe zíAmerika na Kanada).

Kugira ngo wumve Radio Inyabutatu ikorera kuri Shortwave Station, bigusaba kuba ufite akaradiyo akariko kose gafite umurongo wa SW/Shortwave.

Mugire Imana. Ubuyobozibwa Radio Inyabutatu. Akarere kíibiyagabigari (via JosÈ Miguel Romero, May 13, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

** RWANDA [non]. MADAGASCAR, Observation of Radio Imara, Radio Impala on May 4, 6 and 8
1802-1858 17540 MDC 250 kW/310deg SAf M/W/F Kinyarwanda/English/French

http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/radio-imara-radio-impala-on-may-4-6-and.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD)

MADAGASCAR, 17540, Radio Imara, Talata-Volondry, 1820-2057 [sic; -1857?], escuchada el 11 de mayo de 2015 en Kinyarwanda, inglÈs y francÈs, emisiÛn musical, locutora con cuÒa e identificaciÛn ìRadio Imaraî, tras m˙sica de sintonÌa locutor en inglÈs y luego locutora en francÈs, m·s m˙sica africana, tras dos temas musicales se repite las cuÒas en los tres idiomas, SINPO 34443
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(JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia) 39.513356, -0.410268, Spain, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

MADAGASCAR, 17540, Radio Imara, Talata-Volondry, 1803-1815, escuchada el 13 de mayo de 2015 con emisiÛn musical, irrumpe la seÒal a las 1803 con emisiÛn de m˙sica, luego locutora con cuÒa en Kinyarwanda, inglÈs y francÈs, m·s emisiÛn musical, parece que la programaciÛn de esta emisora se limita a emitir m˙sica africana y repetir las cuÒas, no hay noticias ni reportajes, SINPO 24322 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia) 39.513356, -0.410268, Spain, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAIPAN [and non]. Anyone remember these? I would like to contact anyone that remembers WSHB, WCSN, KHBI (CSM) and WEWN (WEWN). 73 (Bob German - KB4RGC, 29 Jan 2015, shortswavesites yg via DXLD)

Hi Bob, I maintain a web site at http://kyoi.zcm.com.au that records the history of KYOI and it's subsequent life at KHBI after acquisition by the Christian Science Monitor. Mentions also made of WSHB and WCSN. Please contact me if you would like to discuss further. I have a bit going on here at the moment, but I hope to have some time to freshen up the KYOI site soon :-) (Calvin Melen, May 8, ibid.)

I read thru this page (but not the linked documents) and no mention is made of the Japanese meaning of the word `kyoi` --- Google translate comes up with Figurehead --- but I don`t know if that axually matches the characters suggested (gh, DXLD)

I gave the explanation about this subject at my home page
http://www5a.biglobe.ne.jp/~BCLSWL/QSL1505.html
(also in Japanese)

"KYOI" is said to have 2 meanings in Japanese.

1. K (call sign of USA) + Japanese "Yoi" meaning "good"
   = Good USA
2. Japanese "Kyoi" meaning "marvel"

Probably Mr. Lawrence S. Berger intended to give Japanese young people the "marvel" of Rock music from "Good USA" on shortwave (but unsuccessful). (Takahito Akabayashi, Tokyo, Japan, May 16, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAO TOME E PRINCIPE. Re 15-18, VOA 1530 kHz relay:

Glenn, I will send you the VOA pattern in the morning. We (Ron Rackley and I thru the joint venture of our two firms) designed and commissioned it.

Pattern is pretty well optimized for coverage of Africa, complementing the coverage of Botswana, but the "left" shoulder of the ~330 degree lobe does put a reasonable amount of energy toward North America. At about 310 degrees more or less, field is about 12,000 mV/m/km. So those who can dig it out from under WCKY may be able to log it occasionally.

If you look at the site (Pinheria) it's a pretty dandy location for a high power MF station - right up there with Cape Greco, Cyprus and Poro Point, San Fernando, LaUniÛn, Philippines (Ben Dawson, WA, Hatfield-Dawson, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Major lobes at about 330 and 110 degrees, and a minor lobe to the southwest 220 degrees, where there is nothing but ocean and eventually S America (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

Glenn, Yes, the "backside" minor lobe is just an artifact of getting the major lobes in the most desirable orientation and having the "front side" minor minimum not be too deep, with the available number of vectors in the math, given the space available for tower location. It's only a 2-element array, so this pattern is sort of a "bent peanut", a pretty standard pattern for some kinds of situations. -- (Benj. F. Dawson III, P.E., DX LISTENING DIGEST)

4960, May 14 at 0542, fair signal but just barely modulated, must be VOA during scheduled French semihour M-F (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

QSL: 9800, Deustche Welle, Hausa to West Africa via IBB/VOA S„o TomÈ transmitter. Full data (with site) Fountain & Statue / Buildings QSL card, in 4 months, for a postal report to Bonn. V/S: Horst Scholz, Transmission Management (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, Canada, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SAUDI ARABIA [and non]. New time in A-15 for BSKSA Radio Saudi International in Bengali
0900-1200 on 15120*RIY 500 kW / 070 deg to SoAs, x 1200-1500 on same frequency
*co-ch 0900-1000 Voice of Nigeria in English; 1100-1200 Radio Frea Asia in Lao
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/new-time-for-bsksa-radio-saudi.html

Radio Saudi International vs Radio Free Asia:
0900-1200 15120 RIY 500 kW / 070 deg to SoAs Bengali Radio Saudi Int.
1100-1200 15120 TIN 250 kW / 279 deg to SEAs Laotian Radio Free Asia:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/voice-of-nigeria-vs-radio-saudi.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD)

** SOLOMON ISLANDS. [Re 15-18:] Hi Harold, Nice to see someone else enjoying the recent good reception of SIBC on 5020.0. Have you heard their ad for Anchor milk which they run once in a while?

"It's no wonder children like Anchor milk. New Zealand's Anchor milk is all natural milk with no sugar added. It tastes amazing with lots of nutrients and protein to help children grow healthy. Direct from New Zealand . . for a healthy choice, choose Anchor dairy milk."

During my recent trip to China (Shanghai, Xi'an, Famen Temple, Tomb of Emperor Tang Gaozong, Tomb of Huo Qubing, Big Wild Goose Pagoda, Luoyang, Longmen Grottoes and Baima Temple), I often noticed that in many places they sold ice cream from New Zealand, so the NZ dairy marketing is really doing a good job (Ron Howard, San Francisco, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Vs domestic dairy products, adulterated (gh)

9545, SIBC. May 10 (Sunday) anomaly; not on the usual 5020; fair-good at 1026 with program of Christian religious songs in English with YL in Solomon Pijin; "Sun Rice" promo for chance for cash prizes with purchases of packages of Sun Rice; ad for mobile phone service; good reception ended at 1100, with the sign on of CRI on both 9540 and 9550. Going for 24 hours? Open carrier (no audio) after 1200 till tuned out at 1355. Audio at
https://app.box.com/s/wrq9deblo59lftn1rasd1a31hgvzvoq1
(Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, E1 & CR-1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

May 11 - Reports coming in now that SIBC is continuing to broadcast on 9545 kHz. Ralph Perry and Mauno Ritola both heard SIBC at 0630. Seems to be on for 24 hours! Am heading out to the beach now myself to give a listen (0730 UT). (Ron Howard, San Francisco, dxldyg via DXLD)

9545, SIBC. Found here again at 0945 with island pop music, ad block, W announcer, reggae song, 1000 promo with mentions of SIBC, usual calliope ToH signature at 1001, then M with English news starting with ID. W with more news to 1025, then back to music. Came back at 1153 and still there with QRM from 9550 China. Usual inspirational message feature leading up to s/off, cut off for canned closing ID by W, NA to 1202, deadair, then at 1205 audio came back with pop music which Hasegawa stated was relay of Wantok FM 96.3. Heard occasional announcements and ads but had faded and too difficult to copy. Very gradually getting weaker and finally lost audio at 1410, but the signal was still there to at least 1630!! Mauno said it went back to SIBC/R. Happy Isles at 1900, and that it was back on 5020 at 2000. (11 May) (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, HCDX via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

5020, SIBC Honiara, May 12. Heard this morning from 1132 to 1204* with rather good signals (improving due to dawn enhancement). Noted with news at 1132, followed with a variety program, with one selection by Amy Cross (C&W Ballad). TC at 1155, then sermon with rather dubious "Hell and Brimstone" scriptures. Closing announcements, nice ID for SIBC and then National Anthem played to 1204*. Best heard on the 31/60 meter Trap-sloper (Edward Kusalik, Cumbredx yg via DXLD)

5020.0, SIBC - The Voice of the Nation, May 12 back to their normal frequency; ex anomaly 9545; at 0922 with the "Derek Prince Legacy Radioî religious program in English; ID - SIBC, the Voice of the Nation; 1015 info about a tropical low causing rain, but "possibility of a cyclone is low"; poor with Cuba QRM from 5025 (Ron Howard, San Francisco at Ocean Beach, CA, EtÛn E1, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5019.999, SIBC Honiara, in English, S=9+15dB -58dBm, heard Daily Police Report at 0843 UT (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, a mail of some morning 0800-0835 UT notes on Wed May 13 logged on remote unit in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5020, May 14 at 1200, SIBC with modulation barely audible, YL talking, 1201.6 music, presumed NA, 1203 open carrier, 1203:37* approx. cut off the air. So back to normal routine after excursion to 9545 on May 10-11, per Ron Howard, Dave Valko. Compared to 1020 KOKP and almost the same pitch with offset BFO, but can`t be sure which is further off, which way (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOMALIA. VARIOUS ABUSES PASSED BY RADIO SHABELLE -- 06 de Mayo 2015
http://allafrica.com/stories/201505060851.html

Radio Shabelle which is now 13 years old has passed by various abuses during its broadcasting accurate news services for the people during in the past 13 years.

3rd May in 2005, huge bomb explosion targeted Mogadishu stadium damaged Radio Shabelle's equipment and that shocked all its journalists.

12 March 2007, Ethiopian forces tortured 3 Shabelle staffers, Mohamed Ibrahim Rage, Osmail Ali Abdi and Mohamed Ibrahim Rashka inside Somalia's Defense Ministry in Mogadishu.

7 August 2007, Ethiopian Embassy in Mogadishu threatened Shabelle Media Network over broadcasting accurate news for its people.

10 August 2007, President Abdulahi Yusuf's Transitional Federal Government forces arrested at least 7 Shabelle Media workers including Shabelle director.

The detainees' names as follows

Ja'far Kukay, acting Radio Shabelle director
Nimco Hassan Abdi
Ahmed Omar Hashi Ahmed Tajir
Abdi Nor Mohamed Kediye
Mostaf Hussein Omar
Ali Mohamed Said Ali Ajey
Mu'awiye Ahmed Mudey

12 August 2007, Somalia transitional federal government troops taken Shabelle journalist, Abdullahi Ali into custody over news broadcasted from Xulka News program.

4 June 2007, Regional Bandir administration shut down Shabelle, Horn Afrik and other radios over an order from Ali Gedi who was Somalia prime Minister at the time.

19 September 2007, President Abdulahi Yusuf's Transitional Federal Government forces sprayed bullets on Shabelle radio's building in Mogadishu and that was went off the air for 14 days.

19 October 2007, Unknown gunmen shot and killed deputy Shabelle director, Bashir Nur Gedi in Mogadishu. No one was arrested over the incident.

29 November 2007, 9 Shabelle Media staff members were forced to leave from Somalia to Djibouti.

4 December 2007, Somalia government forces arrested Shabelle Media correspondent in Bay and Bakol region, Muhudin Hassan Mohamed Husni in Baidoa

3 January 2008, Radio Shabelle journalist, Mohamed Bashir Hashi, was injured in a broad day light by Somalia government soldiers in Mogadishu Wardhigley district.

2 March 2008, Somalia Transitional Federal government troops confiscated all Radio Shabelle equipments but all Media equipments were restored to the station in 4 March 2008.

3 May 2008, World Press Freedom Day, Shabelle Media Network based in Mogadishu was recognized as radio passed by the biggest abuses in 2007.

1 January 2009, Radio Shabelle correspondent in lower Shabelle region south of Somalia, Hassan Mayow Hassan was shot dead by gunmen armed with pistols.

22 May 2009, Abdirazak Mohamed Warsame (Gadaco) was killed and injured by unidentified gunmen in Mogadishu as he was on his way to the workplace.

7 Jun 2009, Somalia's Al Shabab rebels killed Radio Shabelle and its TV director, Mukhtar Mohamed Hirabe in the biggest Bakara market in Somalia. Head of Shabelle program, Ahmed Tajir was injured at that day in a broad day light

18 July 2009, Militant group of Al Shabab ordered Shabelle correspondent in middle Shabelle region to leave from the province.
2 September 2009, Somalia's regional Galmudug administration forces arrested Shabelle reporter, Liban Ajib Haji in Galkacyo in north of Somalia.

16 September 2009, Al Shabab militants attempted to take over Shabelle's 2nd branch in Mark town in lower Shabelle region.

3 December 2009, suicide bomb explosion in popular Shamow Hotel in Mogadishu left 2 Shabelle journalists, Mohamed Amin Adan Abdulle and Hassan Suwer dead.

17 March 2010, Ahmed Omar Salihi, Shabelle radio correspondent was arrested by Al Shabab militants in Bardere town in south of Somalia's Gedo region.

25 March 2010, Ahlu Sunna militias arrested Shabelle correspondent in central Somalia regions, Abdikarim Ahmed Bulhan .

14 February 2011, Sadam Mohamed, Shabelle cameraman was injured in mortar rounds that fired by Al Shabab rebels.

27 March 2011, Somalia Transitional Federal Government forces arrested Shabelle director Abdirashid Omar Qasse and head of Shabelle news, Mohamed Ismail Abdi'uud but later they were released.

January 28, 2012, Hassan Osman Abdi known as Fantastic Shabelle director was shot to death by gunmen armed with pistols near him home in Mogadishu.

May 26, 2009, Nur Muse Hussein, Shabelle reporter in central Somalia's Hiran region was killed in Baladweyne, the capital of Hiran region.

May 24, 201, Ahmed Adow Ansur, Shabelle proagram producer, was killed bu gunmen as he was on his way to home from his workplace in Mogadishu.

October 28, 2012, Shabelle Webmaster, Mohamed Mohamud Tuuryare was killed by gunmen armed with pistols near his home in Mogadishu's Wadajir district.

26 October 2013, Somalia National Army raided Shabelle Radio Station in Mogadishu and shut it down. In the course of the Media closure, Shabelle chief and head of Shabelle News, Mohamed Bashir Hashi were arrested over interviewing a woman who claimed to be raped by 2 State run radio Mogadishu journalists.

15 August 2014, Somalia National Army shut down Radio Shabelle and its TV based in Mogadishu, arresting 19 Shabelle staff members.

The arrestees' names as follows

1 Shabelle chairman, Abdi Malik Yusuf Mohamud
2 Radio SKY director, Moahmud Mohamed Dahir Arab
3 Ahmed Abdi Hassan
4 Ali Ahmed Abdulle
5 Mohamed Ahmed Mohamed Jimcale
6 Ibrahim Abdikarim Gaduudow
7 Mustaf Abdi Nor Shafana
8 Mustaf Abdi Abshir
9 Mohamed Abduqadir Suldanka
10 Ilyas Aden Abdulle
11 Yahye C.laahi Mohamed

12 Bile Bashir Mahbuub
13 Noradin Ibrahim Shardi
14 Gued Ali Osman
15 Mohamed Ali Osman

Edited by Mohamud Tuuryare
Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, May 9, dxldyg via DXLD)

Station of that name was reported around 6960v in 2004-2006y per DXLD archives, but not on SW for a long time since (Glenn Hauser, DXLD)

** SOMALILAND. SOM¡LIA, 7120, R. Hargueisa, Hargueisa, Somalil,ndia, 1829-1900*, 11/5, dialecto local, texto, chamadas de ouvintes; 45433, QRM pontual de estaÁıes de amador. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH AFRICA. 7285, May 14 at 0535, R. Sonder Grense, fair signal with commercials in Afrikaans, holding up well this late, as we are approaching latest southern sunrise of the year; but weakening by 0600 altho it stays on for another hour almost due west from Meyerton (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SOUTH AFRICA. DIGITAL RADIO ñ WHICH WAY WILL SOUTH AFRICA GO? Radio technology has seen very little innovation and development since FM stereo was introduced in the 1960s

http://mybroadband.co.za/news/broadcasting/125718-digital-radio-which-way-will-south-africa-go.html

Radio technology has seen very little innovation and development since FM stereo was introduced in the 1960s. It was the sound revolution of the time, but little has happened since FM took over local broadcasting. It caused the demise of AM stations and the shortwave services of the SABC and LM radio.

The Southern Africa Digital Broadcasting Association (SADIBA) issued a report in 2002 in which it said ìto remain commercial attractive, radio as a medium will have to deliver improved quality service, greater choice, interactivity and multi-media. Digital radio technologies must rise to the challenge and deliver the multimedia radio of the future.î

In the document SADIBA made recommendations on the critical aspects to be considered in order to allow for the introduction of digital radio in South Africa.

Little seems to have happened since 2002 until last month when the subject was extensively discussed at the SADIBA Conference where the

2002 paper re-emerged and digital radio mondiale (DRM), one of the technologies, came into the limelight with international speakers and a demonstration of DRM by the BBC transmitting DRM from their shortwave relay station on Ascension Island with CD clarity ñ no noise, no interference.

Discussing the advantages of DRM, Ruxandra Obreja, head of digital radio development at the BBC world service and chairman of the DRM Consortium said that DRM and DRM+ have proved to be the obvious choice for digital radio. But not everyone would agree with that.
Let us consider some of the various digital radio technologies available.

IDAB is based on in-band-on channel (IBOC) technology which looks at inserting the digital signal within the existing FM and AM channels without affecting other FM or AM transmissions.

FM IBOC is designed to operate in a 200 kHz FM channel allocation. It would have been very impractical to introduce FM IBOC into South Africa without re-engineering the current FM frequency plan based on 100 kHz channel.

According to the 2002 SADIBA paper the most established of all the digital radio technologies is the Eureka 147 system.

The technology is based on an open standard defined in a range of the European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI) documents. But it requires different frequency bands which in itself is problematic given the scarcity of spectrum oin the UHF bands which are demanded by satellite communication channels (VSat) and wireless broadband.

The so-called digital dividend will also not provide the required spectrum as that process will take a long time to materialise.

Obreja believes that DRM and DRM+ is the obvious solution. DRM, the acronym for digital radio mondiale, is promoted by a consortium of broadcasters, manufacturesí research institutes and stakeholders that have endeavoured to work toward a world-standard for digital broadcasting in the frequencies initial below 30 MHz, operating on the AM and shortwave broadcasting bands. Since the original development engineers have moved ahead and DRM+ emerged, the name applied to the DRM standard when used on the VHF frequencies.

ìThe initiative to extend DRM began with a vote at the 2005 General Assembly to begin the design, verification and testing of the parameters needed to allow DRM to operate in the VHF broadcasting bands between; primarily band I and band II,î said Obteja [sic].

The design process began shortly afterwards and key decisions were made to ensure that the extension completely shared the successful design philosophy of DRM ñ it is ìDRM but at higher frequenciesî. Its spectrum usage parameters are determined from the internationally agreed norms in the FM band (88 to 108 MHz). Therefore it has an occupied bandwidth of 96 kHz and a frequency grid of 100 kHz.

DRM+ provides bit rates from 35 kbps to 185 kbps at SNRs from 2 dB to 14dB and, like DRM, permits up to four services. It is therefore a flexible solution allowing single or small numbers of audio services to be broadcast together.

During the process of gaining endorsement from the ITU for DRMís extension to the VHF bands, test results from various field trials conducted around the world were submitted. One of the interesting trials was carried out in December 2011 by Vatican Radio carrying out broadcasting tests of DRM+1 in the VHF band II at 103, MHz.

The aim of the tests was to verify the performance of DRM+ in a difficult interference scenario such as the FM VHF band II in Rome and to check the compatibility of the digital technology with existing antenna arrays having complex RF coupling systems such as the one located in the Vatican.

The frequency used was assigned to the Vatican in the GE84 Agreement and was chosen for two main reasons: it is not used during a few timeslots in the morning and it suffers from some strong interference coming from stations operating at 103.7 MHz and 104.00 MHz located close to Rome.

The tests were carried out taking into account the normal programme schedule. During the tests the digital transmitter was connected to the antenna feeder via a changeover, leaving the analogue transmitter in stand-by.

The antenna array is a complex system: four FM transmitters at different power levels share the same antenna with elliptical polarisation and omni-directional horizontal radiation pattern. The results were great.

Acceptable stereo coverage under mobile reception conditions has been verified in areas where predicted field strength is comparable with 44 dBmV/m and interference is negligible.

Using the most robust configuration for DRM+, it was possible to achieve better coverage in full stereo than an analogue FM signal; the overall subjective listening experience was better than that of FM interfered with by splashes coming from adjacent stations.

With South Africaís poor performance in changing from analogue to digital TV, it may be some time before government will applies its mind to take a decision on digital sound radio.

The first step have however been taken by commercial enterprises. Pulpit Radio is conducting a DRM pilot from their transmitting station at Kameeldrift near Pretoria.

The 50 kW transmitter was installed by Broadcom International and made history with the first DRM audio broadcast in the Southern African region on 1440 kHz AM.

ìThe results were very good. The station was received in Botswane some 400 km away with CD quality audio,î Obreja said.

One of the issue is however the availability of receivers but Ruxandra Obreja said that experience from elsewhere where DRM was introduced local industry began manufacturing. ìThis will be a great opportunity to grow South Africaís electronic manufacturing industry.î

There is software available to decode the DRM signals using a sound card and a dongle is under development that can be used on a laptop or even other devices that have a USB port.

With DRM, the use of medium and shortwave will open up many new radio channels. Each DRM channel can carry three radio programmes and one data channel requiring very narrow bandwidth of less than 5 kHz. Another advantage is that the system is also more energy efficient.
Posted by: (JOSE MIGUEL ROMERO ROMERO, dxldyg via DXLD)

** SOUTH CAROLINA [non]. 7570, May 9 at 0058 and still half an hour later, no signal from WRMI, instead of BS. Other WRMI frequencies are on as usual; see U S A. 7570 is back on at 0419 check, scheduled for System C = Brother Scare at 22-10 UT.

5110, May 9 at 0106, BS is very poor in noise, via WBCQ while much better 7490 is still in `Allan Weiner Worldwide`, so was 5110 not carrying him at all from 0000? By 0130, 7490 is in BS too.

5050, WWRB is off instead of BSing at 0107 May 9, but 3185 is on.

7570, May 10 at 0056, WRMI is back on after absence 24 hours earlier, with Brother Scare musing that sometimes he wishes he could fade away; fell in an accident recently. Believe he has said he is 84 years old. Well, we too wish he would fade away: retirement from the shortwaves would be sufficient rather than joining the boneyard on his website
(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11670, Sunday May 10 at 2258, collision between Brother Scare via WHRI, and Radio Habana Cuba, making SAH of about 3.8 Hz, but WHRI goes off a minute later. Latest HFCC regs for WHRI show 250 kW, 173 degrees in SpaEng, daily at 20-21, and Sat/Sun at 22-23. No RHC in HFCC, of course, but own sked shows 11670 at 23-04, so only a brief overlap as long as it doesn`t come on earlier (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SPAIN. Re: REE Noblejas, three shortwave outlets in 18-21 UT slot tonight, live coverage of CL football match Munich vv Barcelona in Munich Arena ---- SPAIN 15450, 15490, and 17715 kHz all S=9+15dB signals here in Germany. (WB May 12)

REE is apparently boosting its kilowatt output from Toledo for all these last matches of the season, according to my sources at REE, who told me this today. No telling if it may be a powerhouse if Madrid and BarÁa end up in the Champions final in Berlin. Living on the backside of Noblejas, reception on SW is still poor on most frequencies. 73s (Marty DelfÌn (QTH: Fuencarral-El Pardo district, Madrid, Spain), dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

I have certainly noticed a much greater signal strength of REE on shortwave when football has been on in the last few weeks compared to when normal programming is being broadcast (Stephen Cooper, UK, ibid.)

Not including 17855 to North America, mostly missing lately (gh, DXLD)

Today (May, 13) I heard the soccer game Real Madrid x Juventus via Radio Exterior de EspaÒa.

On Twente PI4THT Netherlands WebSDR the signals were:
15450 - To Africa and S. Atlantic - S 9
15490 - To M. East/India - S 9+20 dB
17715 - To S. America - S 9
17855 - To N. America - Nihil

At S„o Paulo Brazil with halfwave dipole (40 m band) and IC-706, 1922Z
15450 - To Africa and S. Atlantic - S 9
15490 - To M. East/India - S 9
17715 - To S. America - S 9 + 30 dB
17855 - To N. America - Nihil

Undoubtedly 17715 kHz was the best to follow the game, as well a very good informative program after the match.

[and non]. Also noted on the bands:
15465 - Seems a weak DRM at Twente, but not listed

15480 - AWR MDG (on the side of REE without any QRM) at Twente
15580 - VOA BOT with interview about politics, good at Twente, weak at S„o Paulo
17850 - RFI F, S 7 at Twente and weak at S„o Paulo.
(Fl·vio PY2ZX Arch,ngelo, Brasil, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. 11905, May 9 at 0114-0116, no signal from SLBC, so no mistimesignal to log, but recheck 0120 now the carrier is on at very poor level, maybe also undermodulated.

11905, May 10 at *0114:10.5 carrier on from SLBC, back on time tonight after late start last night; 0114:46 music begins; 2+1 mistimesignal ends at 0115:11; very poor level now (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SRI LANKA. 15150, Adventist World Radio at 1355 in Cambodian (broadcast Sundays only), hymn, 1358 closing announcements and dead air before 1359 - Fair, May 10 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, listening in my car, by the lake and using the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN. SUDVO, 9505, Voz de ¡frica - R. Sud„o, Al Aitahab, 1655-1715, 08/5, francÍs, entrevista, m˙sica; 45444, QRM adjacente apÛs as 1700. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SUDAN [and non]. 13800, 0359, FRANCE, Radio Tamazuj via Issoudun opening very good in accented Arabic. Frequent idents to close abruptly 0430 28/4.

13800, 0431, MADAGASCAR, Radio Dabanga via Talata opens strongly in Arabic, frequent idents. Suffers from open carriers on very close adjacent frequencies, causing annoying heterodyne beats which deter listening. 28/4 (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), North Island, New Zealand, with Drake SPR4, AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

13800, May 8 at 0523, R. Dabanga is in the clear, no tone jamming audible, good signal and no CCI. At 0526 now there`s SAH and QRM from same audio but not synchronized; 0527 SAH is still on, i.e. both carriers, but first audio has been cut. 0527.5, first carrier off and second carrier + modulation resume normal operations. This is the very rough unco^rdinated (and pointless, unnecessary?), transition from MADAGASCAR to VATICAN transmitter site amid the 0430-0600 otherwise continuous RD broadcast. This confirms my previous log, and presumably occurs every day for a minute or two. SMG operators need to pay attention to, even monitor what Madagascar is doing, or get their acts together by more precise timing.

13800, May 9 at 0454, R. Dabanga good signal via MADAGASCAR with no tone/het jamming audible; 11650 via VATICAN with tone jamming (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

R Dabanga heard with excellent signal on 11645 kHz from 0540 UT (tune-in) 10 May rather than on the scheduled 11650. // 13800 also heard very weakly (Alan Roe, Teddington, UK, dxldydg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11645, May 10 at 0547, poor-fair Arabic here, not Greek! That`s because R. Dabanga via VATICAN has shifted down from 11650, and apparently leaving the barely audible carrier/tone jammer behind. // 13800 now also via VATICAN, May 10 at 0552, is much stronger and with the double tone jamming, two carriers on the hi side only (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Frequency change of Radio Tamazuj and Radio Dabanga:
Radio Tamazuj:
0400-0430 NF 11645 SMG 250 kW / 146 deg EaAf Sudanese Arabic, ex 11650
Radio Dabanga:
0430-0600 NF 11645 SMG 250 kW / 146 deg EaAf Sudanese Arabic, ex 11650
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/frequency-change-of-radio-tamazuj-and.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, May 11, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

After finding R. Dabanga on 11645 ex-11650, May 10, I check again May 11 at 0506, but can`t hear it on either --- just tone jamming on 11650. Meanwhile, Ivo issued a schedule with 11645 as a new frequency as if it were a permanent change, which remains to be heard.

13800, the other R. Dabanga frequency, checked May 11 at 0508: hi-pitched tone jamming but here too cannot hear any Dabanga. Could it be off or totally moved/rescheduled?

I haven`t checked lately for their evening broadcast, but do so May 11 at 1523, and can`t hear it on any of: 15150, 15550 (just WJHR) or 17600. Propagation however, has been degraded with K-indices of 4 at 06 and 3 at 15 UT May 11. Madagascar site should still be getting thru if not Vatican.

11650, May 12 at 0540, JBA signal from presumed R. Dabanga via VATICAN, while no signal audible on 13800 in degraded propagation.

15550, May 12 at 1543, Arabish audible on LSB, while USB is mixed with WJHR; 15150 JBA carrier, 17600 inaudible. By 1609, Arabish is dominant on 15550 with Dabanga mentioned, and tone jamming too and/or just carrier on 15551.0. Still nothing audible on 17600.

11645, May 13 at 0522, very poor signal here, presumed R. Dabanga via VATICAN, while the tone jammer is JBA still on 11650.

13800, May 13 at 0524, Dabanga is fair with flutter here via MADAGASCAR, along with usual 2-tone jamming, Dab cuts off at 0527.5* while the tone jammers remain. I was looking for the MAD/VATICAN overlap, but it seems the MUF is too down for Europe tonight, hardly even making 11 MHz.

However, by 0529 I am hearing the VR IS on 13765, which is for Portuguese via MADAGASCAR, not direct. This may explain why Dabanga has to finish up the third third of its morning sesquihour via SMG on 13800 --- if Talata has to use the same transmitter for VR itself on 13765 from 0530. The azimuths and antenna types are different, however.

13800, May 14 at 0525, good signal from R. Dabanga via MADAGASCAR, with double-tone jamming; RD stops modulation about 0527:05 and carrier off after 30 seconds more, while tone jammers remain beating against each other.

13765, at *0528 May 14, VR IS also from MADAGASCAR, maybe transmitter just moved from 13800; OR, 13840, May 14 at 0529, open carrier, 0530 NHK IS and opening French, also via MADAGASCAR, so either one could be ex-13800, leaving R. Dabanga no choice but to continue from some other site, i.e. VATICAN, but by 0530 can`t hear it, presumably due to propagation, just the tone/jammers above 13800 (also opening at *0530 is VOA French on 13830 via BOTSWANA, and quite stronger than 13840 NHK).

11645, at 0527 May 14, R. Dabanga already via VATICAN continues while the other frequency is shifting sites; fair signal here (Glenn Hauser, OK, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SURINAME. 4990, R. Apintie, Paramaribo, 2318-2327, 08/5, canÁıes; 35332. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** SWAZILAND [and non]. ROMANIA/SWAZILAND/SUDAN, 9500, Terrible performance of mixed together signals from RRI Galbeni Romanian service on S=9+40dB powerhouse and underneath stable signal of TWR Africa service from Manzini Swaziland in Swahili to East Africa, African flute music noted around 1840 UT. All this suffers also next door service of Voice of Africa in Arabic from Omdurman Sudan on adjacent 9505 kHz channel (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, May 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN. Radio Taiwan International Music Network (more formally

known as Central Radio 1557 Music Interactive Network) was observed at 1315-1700 UT on 10 May 2015 on 1557 kHz, with good reception via Global Tuners HK remote receiver. This was in parallel with their online stream at
http://music.rti.org.tw/music/
Presentation was in Mandarin, with the occasional ID/slogan in English as 'I Love Music'. At 1400-1500 the mediumwave transmitter opted out for the Electronic Bible Fellowship broadcast in Chinese (per current WRTH p. 497) whilst the online stream continued with the Music Network. According to their website, RTI Music Network broadcasts around the clock but on 1557 kHz at 1700-0100 local time (0900-1700 UT) only (David Kernick, Interval Signals Online, May 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN. Thanks so much Sei-ichi for your updated info about Fu Hsing. May 8, checked 7688 and 8300 at 1107, but heard nothing. While on their long standing frequency of 9774.03 (1109-1122), I did hear a program of EZL jazz instrumental music, with some announcements in Chinese, so presume it was them; best of course in LSB to get away from 9775.0 QRM; signal strength decent, but with QRM and what sounded like slight over-modulation, was a tough copy. Had not heard 9774 in quite a while, so nice to find them back here. Seemed slightly higher in frequency, but that needs a better Perseus measurement (Ron Howard, San Francisco, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TAIWAN. 7730, SOH. Now that Aoki has SOH sked here *2045-1700* in Chinese[Mandarin]/Cantonese, they don't show up on 8 May during checks at 1340, 1405+. Aoki indicates they're jammed, but I've yet to hear CNR1 when listening to 7730 (so far). A few other SOH frequencies were missing this morning as well: 6280, 9155, 9200 -- with the slack being taken up by SOH yakking away on 11470, 11530, 15970, 16600, 16775 at 1435+ (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA G5/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** THAILAND. QSL: 9390, HSK9, Radio Thailand World Service via Udon Thani (IBB/VOA Site) transmitter. Recíed a nice folder HSK9 QSL card with time/frequency/program and transmitter site, in 28 days, for an e-mail report to: feedback@hsk9.org V/S: illegible, Director RTWS (Edward Kusalik, Alberta, Canada, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET. [12000] 12M, PBS Xizang, 2112 May 10 in Tibetan with talks and song that they followed and experimented on it (Zacharias Liangas, Thessaloniki, Greece, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7385, PBS Xizang, Lhasa, Baiding, 2125-2130, escuchada el 10 de mayo de 2015 en tibetano a locutora en conversaciÛn telefÛnica con oyente, le pone fragmentos de una canciÛn, emisiÛn musical, repiten varias veces el mismo fragmento, el oyente canta un fragmento de la canciÛn

sin la m˙sica, SINPO 24322 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia), Spain, 39.513356, -0.410268, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TIBET [non]. 15525, May 12 at 1401, poor signal from V. of Tibet presumed via MADAGASCAR, so I`m standing by for frequency jump to 15530 which does occur at *1407:05; no jamming audible on either, before or after. Recheck 1428, already off (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** TURKEY. 9870, May 10 at 0059:56.5, timesignal is a little fast as VOT introduces Spanish hour, with CCI --- at least I assume the TS is from Turkey rather than India where it`s hourbottom. Stilted Spanish is hard to follow. Check 9770 for maybe better reception, but *no* signal on customary //. It`s not until 0137 that I find it on 9830 instead, and that is stronger than 9870, no RTTY either at this hour. They forgot(?) to change 9830 frequency on the transmitter with English to North America at 2200-2250! Not the first time such a failure has been propagated. Meanwhile, at 0136 they were outroing `La Pregunta del Mes`, with same ditty as in English service, and into music fill probably for rest of hour. By this time there was no CCI from AIR VBS which is supposed still to be on 9870 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** UGANDA. 4750, Radio Dunamis on Tropical Band --- R·dio Dunamis de Uganda reativado, primeira vez ouvida em 27 de abril de 2015, com o bom sinal em 4750 kHz em torno de 19 UT, estendido agenda nos finais de semana. WiNRADIO Excalibur PRO / CSO, Hari Windom, 78m;

Radio Dunamis from Uganda reactivated, first time heard at April 27, 2015, good signal on 4750 kHz around 19 UT, extended schedule on weekends. Winradio Excalibur PRO/CSO, Hari Windom, 78m; https://remotedx.wordpress.com/

Uganda --- A emissora de r·dio religiosa Dunamis de Uganda em 4750 kHz est· de volta; em 1955 UT escutei com um programa longo para no fim de semana ouvir QRM e m˙sica Africana [sic]. Nos dias de semana o programa termina em torno do relÛgio 19 UT.

Uganda --- Dx Corner QSL 4750 khz Radio Dunamis

Der religiˆse Sender Radio Dunamis aus Uganda auf 4750 kHz sendet wieder, gegen 1955 UT mit verl%ngertem Programm zum Wochenende, etwas QRM und afrikanischer Musik zu hˆren. Wochentags endet das Programm gegen 19 Uhr UT. http://ratzer.at/ - See more at: http://www.dexismointernacional.com.br/ DW MT Brazil (via Daniel Wyllyans, Brasil, May 11, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD) Fwd of other info; I think he has not heard it (gh)

4750, Dunamis Shortwave, Mukono, 1800-1909*, May 05, gospel songs, poor/fair reception due to local noise. Later also English religious programming. Couldn't get ID, but a fellow DXer here in Finland, Jari Lehtinen, managed to hear them ID. Dunamis Shortwave, Mukono had been silent/irregular for quite some time (Jari Savolainen in DXplorer via DSWCI DX Window May 13 via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

4750, Dunamis SW. Per Jari's tip (tnx Yari!) heard this station via the Perseus site in Eastern Finland on May 6 with non-stop highlife music from 1744 tune to 1836 UT at which time the Perseus site abruptly disconnected and I could not re-tune. No announcements heard, no religious programming, just local music.

Decent signal strength (SINPO 2v3/3/3/3/3) with periodic ute QRM both below and above the channel. Re-tuning today (May 7), good carrier presentation from same site as well as Northern Sweden, but audio was pretty much non-existent. Likewise from the Brisbane site, but there the carrier was a bit weaker. Perhaps station staff is having technical issues with the transmitter (Bruce W. Churchill, CA-USA, DXplorer May 7 via BC-DX May 8 via DXLD)

Also heard until 2051*, May 6, African music here, no ID heard, but must be Dunamis SW. First equal to China, but after a while overriding them with native nonstop music until sign off. From their website:

"In support of Bishop Musisi's vision to reach Uganda for Christ, High Adventure/Bible Voice found help from Western Christians to build Uganda's first and only Christian shortwave radio station. Today, Dunamis SW 4.750 receives a constant flow of listener's calls from every corner of Uganda. Dunamis FM and Dunamis SW exist to air the Music and Message of God - there is some space available for international broadcasters to minister into Ugandan lives".

Much better signal here in ƒngelholm on May 08 at 1900 with non stop music. Victor Goonetilleke says in DXPlorer that QSL comes via Bible voice (Thomas Nilsson, Sweden, DSWCI DX Window May 13 via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD) Not reported heard Sep 2014 - Mar 2015 (Ed., ibid.)

4750, May 8 1758, Dunamis SW back again today (5/8) with better audio than 5/7 from 1758 tune from Perseus site in E. Finland - similar programming to 5/6 with non-stop highlife music selections. SINPO 34343 - very usable signal. Gray line just touching the site at 1825. Dunamis SW was better today than 6 May with signals improving steadily after 1830 to sign off - programming abruptly stopped in mid-song at 1917 and the carrier went down at 1917:29. Whatever happened on 7 May was fixed today. Tuned both Karelia MWDX and TreDXK Perseus sites today with similar signal levels on both sites (Bruce Churchill, CA,

via DXPlorer, via SW Bulletin May 10 via DXLD)

4750, May 9, 2015, Dunamis SW with extended program (weekend?) and a very good signal at 2015 UT May 9. Never heard Dunamis better! First reception April, 27 here in Salzburg again (Christoph Ratzer, Austria, SW Bulletin May 10 via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

4750, Dunamis BC, Mukono, 1824-1910, 11/5, dialecto local, canÁıes africanas, segmento em inglÍs, j· perto das 19h, com propaganda religiosa; 35432. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U A E. 6180.091, Another odd frequency outlet from Al Dhabbaya UAE relay site. IBRA Radio in Somali language noted performing a sidelobe signal of S=9+5dB into southern Germany, at 1745 UT, till 1759:20 UT TX sign-off.

And from 1800 UT switched to 6145.091 kHz into BBC Somali service, same 250 kW unit, same 215 degrees curtain antenna usage.

6119.995, TWR Africa in Kunama language on Sundays, heard at 1805 UT via Al Dhabbaya UAE relay, children`s chorus, on 250 kW unit at 225 degrees according listing.

9409.989, BBCWS in English noted in 18-20 UT slot from Al Dhabbaya relay, S=8-9 sidelobe signal at 1822 UT May 10. Registery request of 250 kW at 220 degrees. Discussion about coming U.K. politics, premier minister, Scotland separation plans, and EU matter opinions(Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, May 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U K. BBC 'AT A TIPPING POINT', WARNS BOSS - Yahoo News UK --- The BBC will be forced to shrink its drama output if the licence fee is cut, a corporation executive, who brought the likes of Poldark, Sherlock, Wolf Hall and Call The Midwife to the small-screen, has said. . . https://uk.news.yahoo.com/bbc-tipping-point-warns-boss-232054657.html (via Mike Cooper, DXLD) As usual, radio totally ignored (gh)

** U K [and non]. Came across this while browsing the BBC World Service website. The BBC has invited historian Prof David Blight of Yale University to present the 2015 Alistair Cooke Memorial Lecture...

"...At a time when the issue of race is at the forefront of debate in America, Prof Blight will explore how the role and experience of African-Americans during and after the war is often overshadowed by stories of brave men from the North and South."

I perk up anytime I see mention of Cooke...his "Letter From America"

program was one of the half-dozen "listening appointments" I kept each week, along with RNW's "Media Network" and DW's "Larry Wayne's Random Selection"... See
http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02qh7vf

By the way, more than 500 episodes of "Letter From America" can be heard at the BBC website, including one from 1949; it looks like everything since 1978 is available online.
http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b00f6hbp
Best regards, (Richard Cuff / Allentown, PA USA, May 14, swprograms via DXLD) Viz:

Presented by David Blight
THE ALISTAIR COOKE MEMORIAL LECTURE

Alistair Cooke was a British journalist and broadcaster, who presented Letter from America on BBC Radio for nearly 60 years. To commemorate his life and work, the BBC has invited historian Prof David Blight of Yale University to present the 2015 Alistair Cooke Memorial Lecture.

Prof Blight is author of the acclaimed Race and Reunion: The Civil War in American Memory, which explores what he sees as a romanticized history of the American Civil War.

Blight says the great issues of the war were never truly resolved - especially the issue of equal rights for emancipated slaves.

At a time when the issue of race is at the forefront of debate in America, Prof Blight will explore how the role and experience of African-Americans during and after the war is often overshadowed by stories of brave men from the North and South.

Crucially, the schism over equal rights versus states' rights, which continued to divide the country after the war, has often gone ignored in favour of a more positive historical slant.

In his lecture, Professor Blight explores the politics of memory and how, 150 years on, the way the American Civil war is remembered continues to haunt American society today.

The programme is chaired by Razia Iqbal, and was recorded in front of a live audience at WABE public radio in Atlanta. Producer: Richard Fenton-Smith 27 days left to listen, 55 minutes (via DXLD)

** U S A. 13565 approx., May 9 at 0455, K6FRC, HIFER beacon JBA but enough to copy CW exactly, vs much stronger CODAR. He`s in Patterson CA using his licensed ham call for this, unusually. Frequency not measured this time but based on my previous logs.

As for search engines, I tried yahoo first on site:www.w4uvh.net and got two hits from last September, while google search led to 8 DXLD issues starting last Sept thru this April. K6FRC is still missing from otherwise useful and seemingly current roster by LWCA [sic]; also missing from the ON4 list but that`s mainly about beacons on other bands of hams (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. The Annual Armed Forces Day Crossband Military/Amateur Radio Communications Test took place on May 9-10, 2015. Listed below are the stations that were received at my location.

05-09-15 Station NWVC (USS LST 325, Evansville, Indiana) 7438 CW, 1527 UT, calling cq as follows, "CQ CQ DE AFD DE NWVC NWVC QSX 7038 KHZ K."

05-09-15 Station NWVC (USS LST 325, Evansville, Indiana) 7438 LSB, 1943 UT in contact with KD5ILA

05-09-15 Station AGA4AR (Arnold Air Force Base, Tennessee) 7457 USB, 1535 UT in contact with K4YSB

05-09-15 Station WUG2 (US Army Corps of Engineers, Memphis, Tennessee) 7421 USB, 1546 UT in contact with W8QHV

05-09-15 Station AGA5SC (Scott Air Force Base, Illinois) 7545 USB, 1551 UT in contact with NN9C

05-09-15 Station NPD (NAVMARCORMARS Radio Station, Memphis, Tennessee) 7476.5 LSB, 1611 UT in contact with W4SKB

05-09-15 Station NWKJ (Ex-USS Yorktown, Patriots Point Maritime Museum, South Carolina) 14467 USB, 1606 UT in contact with W9EJM

05-09-15 Station NBL (NAVMARCORMARS Radio Station, Groton, Connecticut) 14391.5 USB, 1624 UT in contact with W8SEL

05-09-15 Station AAZ (Fort Huachuca, Arizona) 14512.5 USB, 1640 UT in contact with KB3IRR

05-09-15 Station NNN0CQQ (Ex-USS Midway Museum Ship Mars Station, California) 20936 USB, 1932 UT in contact with KS5R

05-09-15 Station WAR (Pentagon Amateur Radio Club Mars Station, Arlington, Virginia) 14663.5 USB, 2033 UT in contact with K9ZBX

05-10-15 Station AAC (Barrow Army Reserve Training Center, Lexington, Kentucky) 4012 USB, 0120 UT in contact with WZ8P
Regards, (Jason Knight, Kentucky, Icom IC-R75, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. Studio relays coming in --- KLDE Eldorado TX on 25910 // 25990 coming in at 1418. Good peaks with scratchy fades. Nothing from Sacramento on 26110 or Wheat Ridge in 25950 (Harold Frodge, MI, May 8, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Sporadic E opening (gh, DXLD)

** U S A. Op-Ed: VOICE OF AMERICA DISAPPOINTS
By Ted Lipien May 12, 2015 in World
http://www.digitaljournal.com/news/world/op-ed-voice-of-america-disappoints/article/433062

U.S. taxpayer funded Voice of America (VOA) has problems offering timely analysis of Kremlin propaganda, such as President Putin's latest defense of the Hitler-Stalin Pact which launched World War II.

To no great surprise, I did not find any Voice of America English News (VOA News - voanews.com) reports posted Monday on President Putin defending the 1939 Hitler-Stalin Pact. The secret protocol to the non-aggression pact between the two dictators led to the outbreak of World War II and the attack on Poland and its occupation by Nazi Germany and the Soviet Union. The pact also allowed for Soviet aggression against Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, and Romania.

Putin tried to justify the Nazi-Soviet agreement, also referred to as the Molotov-Ribbentrop Pact, in his comments during a joint press conference with German Chancellor Angela Merkel on Sunday in Moscow.

I was more surprised that Radio Free Europe / Radio Liberty (RFE/RL) English language news website (rferl.org) also had nothing Monday on Putin's defense of the division of Poland by the two totalitarian regimes and Chancellor Merkel's challenge to Putin on his self-serving interpretation of history clearly designed to also justify his annexation of Crimea. Both VOA and RFE/RL are U.S. funded media operations overseen by the federal Broadcasting Board of Governors (BBG).

If U.S. taxpayers are to get something for millions of dollars spent each year on VOA and RFE/RL, it should be fact-based, objective news reporting and news analysis, which includes exposing and explaining lies, distortions, disinformation and propaganda. News must also be timely.

Fortunately, RFE/RL's Russian-language Radio Svoboda did have a program discussing in depth Putin's controversial comments about the Hitler-Stalin Pact. RFE/RL posted a Russian language transcript online.

RFE/RL's English language news operation is a minor part of RFE/RL's

overall mission as a surrogate (local) media entity focused on news reporting in foreign languages, and not nearly as significant for global English-speaking audiences as VOA English News. VOA is the official news outlet of the United States. Both, however, should have analyzed Putin's comments in English language news reports, with VOA providing an additional U.S. perspective. Putin's unrepentant defense of both the Hitler-Stalin Pact and the annexation of Crimea should have been at least mentioned in a VOA News report about U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry's expected but not yet officially confirmed meeting with Putin in Russia on Tuesday.

VOA Russian Service simply reported briefly from Moscow on Putin's stunning remarks about the Hitler-Stalin Pact. But no U.S. reactions or analysis by American historians or other experts of Putin's most recent defense of the Soviet 1939 invasion of eastern Poland were offered by Voice of America, neither in English nor in Russian. Even The Moscow Times had a report describing various attempts by Putin and other Russian officials to defend the Nazi-Soviet partition of Poland.

I searched online for English language news reports about the Putin-Merkel news conference and found several U.S. and foreign media accounts, including an excellent analysis on bloombergview.com by Berlin-based Russian journalist Leonid Bershidsky titled "Why Putin Treats Fantasy as History."

If Bloomberg, a private U.S. media company, can respond quickly to Putin propaganda with an excellent analysis by one of its regular columnists, why can't the Voice of America which gets about $200 million annually from U.S. taxpayers do the same? Do executives in charge of VOA think that any attempt to expose propaganda automatically also qualifies as propaganda?

I noticed that VOA News is excellent in pointing out each time that Moscow denies the presence of any Russian Army troops and equipment in eastern Ukraine, but when it comes to balancing such Russian government lies, disinformation and propaganda with facts and objective analysis, VOA sometimes comes short, and sometimes doesn't do anything at all.

Something is definitely not right at the Voice of America at present, well beyond just Russia-related news reporting. A few days ago, VOA News speculated in a headline and in an actual news report about a likely "ouster" of David Cameron as British prime minister. It did not happen as VOA suggested it could, and almost none of the other predictions in the VOA report came true. BBC and other major international news organizations did not engage in this kind of speculation; not even Russia's RT.

Poor management at the Voice of America is visible to all, including its overseas audiences. Some news reports featured on the voanews.com homepage have not been updated for several months. Even the VOA Ebola news page was not being updated regularly in recent weeks.

Over the weekend, VOA posted online a video which was presented as a reaction to U.S. observances of the 70th anniversary of the end of World War II. A current BBG member, a former member and several former VOA journalists who have seen the video said privately they were stunned it was posted online as a VOA production.

At least on this story, there were examples of fine reporting by VOA staffers, including a short interview with former U.S. Senator Bob Dole, a WWII veteran. VOA still has some outstanding reporters filing news reports in English and in many foreign languages. But VOA English News and voanews.com website operations have been mismanaged and cut to the bone. The overall picture that emerges is a taxpayer-funded media organization in a state of mission confusion and a managerial meltdown.

At the same time, Voice of America is needed more than ever to respond quickly and effectively as a news organization with its own Charter to anti-American propaganda from Russia, China, and other countries, as well as from groups such as ISIS which advocate violent extremism and pose a threat to U.S. security.

Ted Lipien is an independent journalist and former Voice of America acting associate director. This opinion article was written by an independent writer. The opinions and views expressed herein are those of the author and are not necessarily intended to reflect those of DigitalJournal.com (via Mike Cooper, May 14, DXLD)

** U S A. Willis Conover --- Damn you, Mark Durenberger. Going to your site http://www.shortwaveology.net/ compelled me to play the link to Willis Conover and the VOA Jazz Hour. Oh, the memories. Having three college degrees in music, I'm a huge jazz fan. Even as a high schooler, I remember the cold war VOA broadcasts to the Soviet Block on my National NC-125. As a chain smoker, his deep voice was so resonant. And the difference was that Willis played real jazz, not pop dross. [I always thought that his program was so much more believable than the "running dogs" of other broadcasters. :)]

Later I found out first hand how popular his program had become. When my XYL and I served in the Peace Corps in Liberia in West Africa, the educated Liberians would talk about his program. [I was EL2J then.] After our service, we traveled in western Europe for six months. We repeatedly heard jazz on the radio there, and ran into Conover fans who were so grateful for the program. I heard outside the US from

ordinary people that Conover's Jazz Program was America's secret weapon. He was celebrated as a hero when he traveled abroad. RIP, Willis; you were a giant (John Lyon, MDXC yg via DXLD)

** U S A. 17895, May 8 at 1742, during lunch at a restaurant seated next to an east-side window, G8 & whip provide excellent reception of VOA Greenville on 17895, during a rare English broadcast. Unfortunately, it`s ``The Sunni[?] Side of Sports``, expanded edition, I hope only on Fridays. Mostly about silly ballgames in Africa. Why are US taxpayers responsible for providing this info back to Africa? Later in the hour a bit about US SBGs.

At 1742 a plug for `African News Tonite` at 16 and 18 on 6080 & 15580. Guess what? It`s also on 17895 starting really at 1805 after world newscast. A mere 250 kW broadcast direct from the USA is not worth mentioning; but who at VOA studios in Washington axually turns on a SW radio to hear what they are doing? ANT is allegedly an ``hour`` and if so, gets chopped off amid, as I heard 17895 closing the other day at 1830 and GB is so scheduled in HFCC at 1700-1830 only --- and in two separate entries at 1700-1830 daily to CIRAF 52, 53 and 57, and at 1730-1830 daily to additional CIRAF 46-48, even tho there are no changes whatsoever in parameters (site, power, azimuth, slew or antenna type). 46-48 means from Western Sahara to Kenya; 52 + 53 + 57 means all of Africa south of there, from Gabon to South Africa to Madagascar.

BTW, we are out of luck this A-season for hearing `Music Time in Africa` Sat & Sun at 20 UT on a loud and clear Greenville frequency, as 15580 is currently via Botswana. We can still hear it not so loudly and no doubt better eastward in the Greenville skip zone anyway (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also BURUNDI [non]!

** U S A. VOA Radiogram, May 9-10: Vinyl records, etc. Last weekend we changed the frequency of the Saturday 1600-1630 UTC broadcast from 17860 to 17870 kHz to escape interference from Radio Exterior de EspaÒa on 17855 kHz. There was, however, no REE on 17855 last Saturday. Our frequency change did, at least, move us farther away from the jamming transmitter on 17850 kHz, which was very active last Saturday.

This weekendís program will contain some interesting news items in MFSK32, plus an unusual (and unusual sounding) bonus mode.

VOA Radiogram, 9-10 May 2015 includes image of ìFoody.î
http://voaradiogram.net/post/118441857167/voa-radiogram-9-10-may-2015-includes-image-of

Here is the lineup for VOA Radiogram, program 110, 9-10 May 2015, all

in MFSK32 except for the bonus mode:

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 1:40  Program preview
 3:17  Vinyl records popular again in South Africa*
10:20  US agency announces prize for ocean wave energy*
16:57  Expo Milano 2015 will focus on food supply*
24:20  Robot image* and closing announcements
28:01  Olivia 128-2000: Bonus mode of the week
* with image
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VOA Radiogram transmission schedule (all days and times UT):
Sat 0930-1000 5745 kHz
Sat 1600-1630 17870 kHz
Sun 0230-0300 5745 kHz
Sun 1930-2000 15670 kHz
All via North Carolina.

The Mighty KBC will transmit a minute of MFSK64 Sunday, 10 May, at about 0131 UTC (Saturday 9:31 pm EDT) on 9925 kHz. Reports to Eric: themightykbc (at) gmail.com
(Kim Elliott, May 9, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

The 17870 kHz is a good choice; the wide noise jammer on 17850 kHz is still active.

http://www.rhci-online.net/radiogram/VoA_Radiogram_2015-05-09.htm#VOA

The KBC-broadcast for North America is still a problem - in Germany, as well as Twente seems to be in the skip zone. Even from there only a confused MFSK-64 image of backscattered signals could be received. But there is still the Internet, to see the green Luxembourg-button full sized .....
http://www.rhci-online.net/radiogram/VoA_Radiogram_2015-05-09.htm#KBC
(roger Thayer, May 10, ibid.)

I was able to receive the MFSK 64 image on the west coast of North America at 0130 today on 9925. Not great, but readable:
Inline image 1
Inline image 2
73, (Walt Salmaniw, Victoria, BC, May 10, ibid.)

** U S A. WORLD OF RADIO 1772 monitoring: confirmed Friday May 7 at 2130.5 on WRMI 15770, sufficient, and barely audible in noise level // 7570. Next:
Sat 0630 HLR   7265-CUSB
Sat 1430 HLR   7265-CUSB
[can anyone confirm HLR is on again, with WOR?]
Sat 1930v WA0RCR 1860-AM

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Sun 0315v WA0RCR  1860-AM
Sun 2100  WRMI   15770
Sun 2300  WRMI   11580
Mon 0300v WBCQ    5110v Area 51
Tue 1100  WRMI    9955
Wed 0630  HLR     7265-CUSB
Wed 1315  WRMI    9955
Wed 1430  HLR     7265-CUSB
Wed 2100  WBCQ    7490v
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WORLD OF RADIO 1772 monitoring: confirmed UT Sunday May 10 on WA0RCR, 1860-AM, Wentzville MO, starting late, still with ARRL News at 0317, but must have started about 0326 judging from an item I could copy in the storm noise level at 0342. Next:

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Sun 2100  WRMI   15770
Sun 2300  WRMI   11580
Mon 0300v WBCQ    5110v Area 51
Tue 1100  WRMI    9955
Wed 0630  HLR     7265-CUSB
Wed 1315  WRMI    9955
Wed 1430  HLR     7265-CUSB
Wed 2100  WBCQ    7490v
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WORLD OF RADIO 1772 monitoring: not confirmed Sunday May 10 at 2100 on WRMI 15770; nor on JBA 7570. Recheck of WRMI schedule for 21-22 still shows on 15770, Sundays at 2100-2130, WORLD OF RADIO; and on 7570, End Times Coming, which is apparently what we were hearing on both. System D and System F programming for reasons unknown often gets mixed up, or only one or the other on both frequencies.

WOR 1772 is confirmed on the much more reliable Sunday 2300 transmission via WRMI 11580. WOR 1772 also confirmed on Area 51 webcast, starting UT Monday May 11 at 0300, but WBCQ 5110v unchecked, which I should have, considering what happened last week. Next:

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Tue 1100  WRMI    9955
Wed 0630  HLR     7265-CUSB
Wed 1315  WRMI    9955
Wed 1430  HLR     7265-CUSB
Wed 2100  WBCQ    7490v
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(Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Hi Glenn, Have WOR 1772 ready for air this Saturday. I will be at Dayton Hamvention on Sat. May 16; and I don't have a back up Control Op this year. So WA0RCR will be QRT - Silent on May 16. Plan to be back on May 23 (Vern Jackson, May 8, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

WORLD OF RADIO 1772 monitoring: confirmed Wednesday May 13 after 1315 on WRMI, 9955, sufficient, no jamming audible. Unchecked Wed 2100 on WBCQ webcast. Thu 1130 airing on WRMI 9955 will also repeat 1772, as 1773 will be produced later on Thursday, in time for 2100 dÈbut on WRMI 7570 if not 15770. Further:

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Fri 2130  WRMI   15770
Sat 0630  HLR     7265-CUSB
Sat 1430  HLR     7265-CUSB
Sat 1930v WA0RCR  1860-AM [no Gateway 160 this week due to Dayton]
Sun 0315v WA0RCR  1860-AM [no Gateway 160 this week due to Dayton]
Sun 2100  WRMI   15770 [scheduled, but not last week, nor on 7570]
Sun 2300  WRMI   11580
Mon 0300v WBCQ    5110v Area 51
Tue 1100  WRMI    9955
Wed 0630  HLR     7265-CUSB
Wed 1315  WRMI    9955
Wed 1430  HLR     7265-CUSB
Wed 2100  WBCQ    7490v
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WORLD OF RADIO 1773 monitoring. New edition completed in time for first airing Thursday May 14 at 2100 on WRMI, presumably 7570 altho at times has also appeared on 15770. The reverse after that, Friday 2130.5 (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 7570, May 9 at 0058, this WRMI frequency is off instead of BS, and still off for at least a semihour. Other WRMI services are still on: 5850 & 7455 & 9395 (TruNews [not], 0100 `Son Power Radio, Vero Beach`), 9955 (`Walking in Power`, another ubiquitous FL ministry, at 0100, starting with ``horns of doom`` I at first thought might be TOM), 11580 (`Wavescan` ending), 11920 (open carrier prior to more fill music instead of F·mily Radio as at 0130 check), 15190 BS.

7570 is scheduled from #11 transmitter, 315 degrees toward us at 22-10 UT for Overcomer, extended by 21-22 other programming, and 10-12 UT F·mily Stations in Chinese and Japanese --- I wonder if those two are really funxional, as FSI Spanish at 01-03 on 11920, 7730, has been replaced by fill music for at least a week (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

5985, Florida, WRMI, 1057, nice Spanish ballad and in the clear until

1100 when very effective Cuban jammer totally wiped it out (May 6) (XM, Cedar Key, Florida, NRD525D, R8A, E5, via Bob Wilkner, DX LISTENING DIGEST) ?? 5985 from WRMI is sked 04-05 UT only. Could this be about 5980, R. MartÌ? (gh, DXLD)

5985, May 9 at 0449, `Frecuencia al DÌa` with usual liners, as scheduled for Saturday at 0430 via WRMI System F, which means all the other programming in this block does refer to UT days (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11920, May 10 at 0109 check, chalk up yet another absence by F·mily Radio in Spanish as WRMI is playing fill music, steel drums at the moment (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

11920, 5/10 0134, WYFR [sic], Okeechobee FL, in Spanish [sic]; No talks, only musics all program; No religious musics; It¥s Family Radio (?), 45433 (JosÈ Ronaldo Xavier (JRX), Receivers: Degen 1103, Tecsun S-2000, Cabedelo [ParaÌba], Brazil, Hard-Core-DX mailing list via DXLD) No, it`s not FR, but WRMI playing fill music as I have reported several times; in fact a few minutes earlier, above (gh)

9965 [sic], WRMI, 1142 to 1200. A WRMI ID at 1200, SINFO = 3,5,5,3,4. I heard part of the Korean Panorama program and an overview of the cultural and political changes in South Korea since the 1970s, the 6790 and the 42í Windom antenna. 4/21 (John and Sandra Davis, Our listening post is located northeast of Columbus, Ohio in the USA. One inside antenna is a Windom which is 42í long. The other is an end fed antenna 16í long. The new name for my large antenna is the 687í horizontal array. I also use my wifeís HVU-8 amateur radio vertical antenna, because it works extremely well on the shortwave broadcast bands. Our receivers include, but are not limited to a number of R-390As, R-391s, a Mackay 5050A, a Racal 6790, and a Watkins-Johnson HF-1000A. The Mackay 5050A is out for repairs and hopefully it will be back soon. Our portable receivers include a Kaito 1103, a Radio Shack 440, and a Sangean 803A; NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

???: WRMI is on 9955, not 9965, and AFAIK does not relay Korea. The Tue 1130 program on 9955 is now Angloparade, rock music in English presented in Spanish, but maybe as of April 21 it was still Radio Slovakia International, before that moved an hour later to 1230. If something was really heard on 9965, nothing is scheduled now at that time. Maybe this log was really merged with another one (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 17765, WHRI (Cypress Creek) 1520-1533+ 3 May. Thanks to Ivo's info in DXLD 15-17, heard perhaps the first day on NF (ex-17610 Sat. 19-21, Sun. 15-16) with brokered religion, WHRI p-mail address & into "Heart-to-Heart" at 1530 (Dan Sheedy, Moonlight Beach, CA

PL606/6m X wire, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

9495, Sat May 9 at 2050, live coverage of a silly race game involving cars. Whenever you hear one of these on SW, you know it`s got to be WHRI, which is obsessed with these off-topic things and not just the Indy 500 which I assume will be broadcast later this month.

Later, Peter W Hansen reported to the DXLD yg: ``Grand Prix of Indianapolis was on WHRI 9495 from 1900 till past 2100 UT. So in 2 weeks The Indy 500 will probably be on WHRI as it has in the past``

Latest HFCC of May 6 shows 9495 is a registered HRI frequency but only as follows: 1900-2000 Sat, and 2100-2130 daily in SpaEng; the first one a 100 kW, the second a 250 kW, both on a 173 degree antenna --- but they were running it anyway during the break (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST) See also USA: 1480 log

** U S A. 9975, May 10 at 0059, no signal from KVOH, but at 0132 recheck it`s on with the sacred soccer show, undermodulated interview with Frenchy (?) about how playing such a game is divinely inspired. Has some splatter de stronger 9965 Cairo during music. As far as I can tell, KVOH is still running the old transmitters, a few months after acquiring a replacement, but without all the necessary gear to make it work. How`s it coming, Ray? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WTWW 1 Lebanon, Scriptures For America in English on May 6
0200-1400 on 9475 TWW 100 kW / 050 deg to ENAm, instead of 5830
1400-0200 on 9475 TWW 100 kW / 050 deg to ENAm as scheduled A15
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/wtww-1-on-9475-instead-of-5830-on-may-6.html
(DX RE MIX NEWS #909 from Georgi Bancov and Ivo Ivanov, May 11, 2015, via DXLD)

May 5:
WTWW 1 Scriptures For America English 0650 on daytime freq 9475 Lebanon, instead of 5830
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NC8NK0DWnmE&feature=youtu.be

WTWW 1 Scriptures For America English 0658 on daytime freq 9475 Lebanon, instead of 5830
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KoUxJvdrPsA&feature=youtu.be

WTWW 1 Scriptures For America English 0700 on daytime freq 9475 Lebanon, instead of 5830
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XFhJb-3m-_0&feature=youtu.be

WTWW 1 Scriptures For America English 0728 on daytime freq 9475 Lebanon, instead of 5830

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YT6aQ57kZDU&feature=youtu.be

WTWW 1 Scriptures For America English 0802 on daytime freq 9475 Lebanon, instead of 5830
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=UlD9bt8Eu5o&feature=youtu.be

WTWW 1 Scriptures For America English 0856 on daytime freq 9475 Lebanon, instead of 5830
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HgmtYY9OuvM&feature=youtu.be
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, dxldyg via DXLD)

12105, May 9 at 0114, WTWW-3 with VG signal, but dead air except for some hum, and still so at 0132. I was hearing a bit of audio bleeding from somewhere, but it turned out to be from my local 1390 KCRC overload instead of 9475 WTWW-1.

5830, May 12 at 0532, open carrier/dead air except for some hum from WTWW-1. Next check May 12 at 1434, QSY to day frequency has been accomplished, but still dead air! Ted must be making the changes by remote control without bothering to hear whether anything is really being modulated; same old story. Even the operator doesn`t care to listen to PPPP. Amazing that the SFAW ownership allows this to recur, but presumably just as clueless back in Laporte. Unfortunately, by 1930 when I`m routinely checking for the new VOA Burundi service on 9470, now it`s totally splashed out by mod from WTWW (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 11520, WEWN / EWTN, 5/8, 0940. Super-repetitive responsive readings with W and female parishoners. Outstanding reception. 73 and Good Listening .....! (Rick Barton, El Mirage AZ, Grundig Satellit 750, Outdoor Slinky, Radio Shack SW-2000629, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1030, May 10 at 0117 UT, tornado spotted along I-70, another warning for Logan County which in KS is S of Colby, for from NW this is obviously KBUF Holcomb (Garden City); while 90 degrees away is gospel music, no doubt KCWJ Blue Springs MO; mutually nullable, take your pick (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1280, May 11 at 1200 UT, CBS News Update ending in less than a minute, a far cry from an extended World News Roundup but mentioned some storm damage at ``Corsica``, Texas --- meaning Corsicana?? [10 inches of rain, a drowning per Corsicana Daily Sun]. Then ``More country than you can shake a stick at --- stick not included, [sung:], K-S-O-K``, ha ha, from my nearby Ark. City KS station (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1480, May 10 at 0122 UT, repeating announcement obviously

not intended for broadcast, between long pauses, addressed to: ``Stations, this is the Motor Racing Network``, and saying that the Spongebob Squarepants 400 Sprintcup race is being delayed due to rain, but coverage will resume at 10 Eastern/9 Central [0200 UT], after the track dries out at the Kansas Speedway (which is in KC/KS). How can he be so sure? Also gather that this is a NASCAR event, but Spongebob Squarepants lends his aura to it?! Announcer sounds like he is serious, doesn`t audibly smirk. Here`s about the SBSP connexion:

http://ftw.usatoday.com/2015/05/saturdays-nascar-sprint-cup-race-is-called-the-spongebob-squarepants-400

Fox sports later reported the race resumed after a 2 hour and 16 minute delay, but who won? Who cares? {and how do you stop and resume a carace after many laps have already elapsed? Everyone back to the spot they were at a certain instant, and keeping track of the laps? But then there`s the start-ups which are bound to lose seconds. Or re-start the race as if it were new and subtract the laps/times already consumed?}

Anyhow, assume this 1480 is KQAM Wichita, a.k.a. Big Talker rather than a solely sportsful station. It so happens there is also a 1480 near the Speedway, KCZZ Mission KS, but can hardly be that if it`s still 24 hour Spanish religion as Radio Luz.

Its Steckline webpage makes it seem as if KQAM is a subset of KGYN Guymon (see OKLAHOMA) instead of vice versa
http://kgynradio.com/kqam
Nothing there but a rather generic, unspecific program schedule (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. 1510-, May 9 at 0118 UT, ad/PSA string looping NE/SW and going into deep fades and peaks; including Husqvarna, Subway, Shelterpet.org, 0121 UT finally for Kansas youth athletix, so as expected it`s KCTE Independence MO, 10 kW daytimer, still off-frequency to the lo side compared by stepping to 1500 & 1520 carriers, and also a low audible heterodyne is JBA as not much signal from WLAC or anything else yet. BTW, 1520 KOKC is remarkably weak, maybe QRP due to more storms? (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. WAGL 1560 RIP --- Daytimer WAGL-1560 Lancaster, South Carolina, once a continent-spanning best bet for the Palmetto State, is no more. Longtime owner B. Len Phillips Jr. died in September at 77, and the license has recently been turned in and the station deleted.

DX test and sunrise receptions on the West Coast were commonplace at one time, with KPMC Bakersfield off nightly. WAGL operated with 10 and

later 50 kilowatts.

A DX test on October 18, 1993 brought in a report from Paul Ormandy in Oamaru, New Zealand. Len was quite pleased and included a copy of Paul's report as part of the verie package.

There's a YouTube posting of a 1980 recording of Len doing the sign-off; toward the end you can hear traces of the sign-off of long-gone WTRQ in Warsaw, North Carolina (Steve Francis, Alcoa, Tennessee, IRCA via DXLD)

It may have eventually been 50 kW, but SC was one of few states missing out on ANY class I-A station when `clear channels` were being allocated; wonder why? (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

Their DX test on Jan. 28, 1990 got out exceptionally well. I had a cassette recording of that test that was at nearly armchair level. They played "Dixie" as part of that broadcast, and WAGL's 50,000 watts were enough to cause splatter on 1550 and 1570 at my QTH in southwest Iowa. With WBSC-1550 having been gone for a while now, there's two legendary top-of-the-dial voices in the Palmetto State that are now just memories. 73, (Rick Dau, South Omaha, Nebraska EN21AF, http://www.dxworld.com/bcblog.html NRC-AM via DXLD)

I first heard WAGL on their 1975 test from Lawrence KS and they bombed in. I think I still have some IDs on a cassette somewhere. I also heard at least one of their later tests from KC. When I moved to Charleston a few years ago, WAGL was one of the first stations in my SSS log. There are more than a few stations I wish would leave the air, but WAGL wasn't one of them. RIP (Rob Keeney, Summerville SC, ABDX via DXLD)

** U S A. 95.1, May 9 at 0135 UT, I am bandscanning to see if OKC stations are in weather warning mode, as TV stations are covering threats of tornados and flooding, mostly to the east of OKC, but normal FM programming persists. Here vying with KQCV in OK to capture 95.1 is ``T-95, The Rock Station``, i.e. KICT Wichita KS; in WTFDA FM Database merely as ``T-95`` (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** U S A. L.A.'S SMALLEST RADIO STATION, 97.5 KBU, BROADCASTS OUT OF A MALIBU BEDROOM --- By Jessie Schiewe Friday, May 8, 2015 | 4 days ago

Hans Laetz mans the controls at KBUU-FM, in his daughter's former bedroom --- Photo by Jessie Schiewe

The KBUU-FM radio studio is in a ranch-style tract house, on a cul de sac on one of Malibu's few suburban-style streets. In what used to be Emily Laetz's bedroom, the detritus of a recently moved-out kid is

everywhere. Puka shell necklaces hang near the door and a stack of Malibu High School yearbooks is piled on the desk, along with an LP (The Doors' Greatest Hits) and a wadded up clump of bathing suit. On the wall are a tide calendar from 2011 and a homemade a poster that says ìBig Dume September 2007.î

In the middle of the room are two racks of gear, diodes lit and blinking, volume meters flashing, data lines flickering. At a white desk surrounded by computer screens, speakers and a 20-year-old radio console sits Emilyís dad, Hans Laetz. A greying 58-year-old of average height, with a thick slab of mustache and a wardrobe of Hawaiian shirts, Laetz is the guy behind "Radio Malibu," 97.5 KBU.. .
http://www.laweekly.com/music/las-smallest-radio-station-975-kbu-broadcasts-out-of-a-malibu-bedroom-5546826
(via Dennis Gibson, ABDX via DXLD)

SBE is the Society of Broadcast Engineers:
http://www.radioworld.com/article/sbe-calls-proposed-fcc-field-cuts-ìdraconianî/275910
Sent from my iPhone (Dennis Gibson, ABDX via DXLD)

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[if anyone really needs them, I can forward upon request --- gh]

Hi Glenn, how have you been? Have you seen the FCC Enforcement Bureau's rationale for closing 16 of their 24 Field Offices and downsizing field staff from 63 to 33, and managers from 21 to 5? It's interesting: Lots of money, very little work.

On Friday morning at 9:15 eastern, there's a Hearing about increasing FCC openness, transparency, accountability, and predictability. Don't know if you've seen the videos, but the House Commerce Committee has been ripping the FCC a new one about a whole laundry list of items.

Hearing Announcement:
http://docs.house.gov/meetings/IF/IF16/20150515/103464/HHRG-114-IF16-20150515-SD001.pdf

The FCC's Office of Inspector General has recently released reports about employees downloading and watching porn, employees using MJ, and arranging paid Craigslist sex trysts on work time... Perjury, nepotism, porn, drug use, stealing time, falsifying time sheets,

incompetence, you name it.

In my case, they completely failed to send their fallacious NAL to my address of record within one year of the violations, pursuant to the laws governing issuance of forfeitures. Then (get this) they said I 'failed to respond' to the NAL they never sent! How does one respond to false allegations which were never served? At any rate, I put the facts on the record via email; the FBI put the facts on the record via telephone. Now the OIG and Congress are putting the facts on the record via C-Span, funding cuts, and brand new legislation requiring openness, accountability, and transparency. Best to you and yours, (Brian Crow, K3VR, May 13, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST

** URUGUAY. 6125.1, 0939, Radio Uruguay reactivated, audible in 0600 to 1000 window but at very weak level in Spanish, best heard on 11/3 thanks to sunrise enhancement effect. Horacio Nigro reports in Glenn Hauserís DXLD Yahoo Group that output is currently only about 150 watts (Bryan Clark at Mangawhai (Northland), North Island, New Zealand, with Drake SPR4, AOR7030+, EWEs to North, Central & South America, 100m BOG to NE and Alpha Delta Sloper antennas, May New Zealand DX Times via DXLD)

Radio Uruguay --- Regularmente se est· escuchando en Mendoza a esta emisora en 6125 kHz (en paralelo con 1050) con deficiente modulaciÛn y baja seÒal a partir de las 0230. 73's (Miguel Castellino, Argentina, 2337 UT May 8, condiglista yg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

** VANUATU. 7259.941, VBT Radio Vanuatu, Port Vila, in vernaculars, n o t English language, sounded partly like Spanish/Filipino fragments though (Wolfgang B¸schel, Germany, a mail of some morning 0800-0835 UT notes on Wed May 13 logged on remote unit in Brisbane, Queensland, Australia, dxldyg via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

7259.94, R. V. Caught the usual conch shell blowing signature at exactly 1001:00, then into presumed news by M. Better than it has been lately but not good enough to copy. (14 May) (Dave Valko, Dunlo PA, HCDX via DXLD)

** VATICAN. Unscheduled broadcasts of Vatican Radio on shortwave May 11
0510-0520 on 7250 SMG 100 kW / 026 deg to EaEu German
0520-0530 on 7250 SMG 100 kW / 026 deg to EaEu Croatian, 2 videos:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/unscheduled-broadcasts-of-vatican-radio.html
(Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

It used to be the 0520 Albanian service on MW 1260 only which would get unexpected shortwaving when the 7250 transmitter would be turned

on too early before the 0530 mass. Now the WRTH 2015 does not show any Croatian broadcast (nor Serbian, nor Albanian); Nor does the A-15 update! So where is this Croatian really coming from? Have VR really added that language now?

No, these must be part of the mysterious lingo ``Various`` alfabetically under V in WRTH listings, not further explicated? Altho pre-0530 still unaccounted for:
``Various Days Area kHz
0530-1910 daily Eu 585vat
0615-1700 daily Eu 1260vat`` (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM. VIETNAME, 5925, R. Voz do Vietname, So Tay, 2156-2200, 07/5, vietnamita, gin·stica (p); 24332, sinal bloqueado pela China, ‡s 2200.

9635.8, idem, 0922-desvanecimento total 1100, 09/5, texto, m˙sica, entrevistas; 35433. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

12020, Voice of Vietnam at 1235 with news, 1242 repeat of news headlines, ìThe news from V-O-V.î - Fair, May 10 (Harold Sellers, Vernon, British Columbia, listening in my car, by the lake and using the Eton E1 and Sony AN1 active antenna. Editor of World English Survey and Target Listening, available at http://www.odxa.on.ca dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM [and non]. AUSTRIA, 9625, Powerhouse of ORS Moosbrunn broadcast of Voice of Vietnam's French service at S=9+45dB level at 1845 UT May 10th, \\ 9730 kHz direct from Son Tay site in Vietnam, but latter two seconds AHEAD programming. Nice S=9+25dB signal direct from South East Asia origin (Wolfgang B¸schel, Stuttgart, May 10, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** VIETNAM [non]. PALAU, Cancelled broadcasts of clandestine program Radio Que Me
1200-1230 on 9930 HBN 100 kW / 318 deg to EaAs Vietnamese Fri T8WH 3
No signal on May 8. My last recordings on April 10:
http://swldxbulgaria.blogspot.com/2015/05/cancelled-broadcasts-via-t8wh-3-palau.html
(Ivo Ivanov, Blgaria, DX Re-Mix News May 11 via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

Vietnam (from Palau): Ivo Ivanov has recently reported, that the programme Que Me (Homeland) (Fri 1200-1200 9930) had been cancelled. A direct enquiry brought this response from the producer:

"Thank you for your mail, which we find quite intriguing. To our

knowledge, our radio has not been cancelled, and we continue to produce our broadcasts every week. Could you tell us a bit more about the report you received? Perhaps that would help us to understand.
 Many thanks, Penelope
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When checking the broadcast today, I was unable to receive it on shortwave (and I did not quite expect to be able to) but the programme was streamed at http://lesea.com/streaming-audio/ "Angel 3". (Dr Hansjoerg Biener, 15 May 2015, DX LISTENING DIGEST) Ivo replies that it was definitely missing on May 8, but back on May 15 (gh)

** ZAMBIA. Z¬MBIA, 5915, ZNBC-Radio 1, Lusaka, 1832-1855, 11/5, dialecto local, texto; 43442, QRM adjacente. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

** ZAMBIA. Makeni Ranch - forgotten === This news item missed me, re this former Christian Voice SW site in Zambia.

Wiring the world for sound: Voice Of Hope - Africa is the latest acquisition by California based Strategic Communications Group in their quest of World-class radio stations programmed to span the globe with the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

http://www.prnewswire.com/news-releases/wiring-the-world-for-soundvoice-of-hope---africa-is-the-latest-acquisition-by-california-based-strategic-communications-group-in-their-quest-of-world-class-radio-stations-programmed-to-span-the-globe-with-the-gospel-of-jesus-chri-300010326.html
(Ian, May 7, shortwavesites yg via DXLD)

We`ve had news about this in DXLD, but no progress reported lately. If it`s state-of-the-art, why the long delay in turning transmitters back on? From above link, starting with nonsensical headline --- it`s not about ``wiring`` but wireLESS!! (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST):

WIRING THE WORLD FOR SOUND --- Voice Of Hope - Africa is the latest acquisition by California based Strategic Communications Group in their quest of World-class radio stations programmed to span the globe with the Gospel of Jesus Christ!

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 16, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- Strategic Communications Group ("SCG", http://www.voiceofhope.com) announced today the purchase of its newest shortwave transmission facility in Lusaka, Zambia. Broadcast signals from this facility will soon be available to more than one billion potential listeners across the continent of Africa.

Strategic Communications Group, a broadcaster headquartered near Los Angeles, purchased the state-of-the-art transmission facility this month from Christian Vision https://cvglobal.co

The super-station will operate as Voice of Hope ñ Africa broadcasting the Gospel of Jesus Christ in English and several African languages - as well as providing news, health, and other information programming to audiences throughout the continent.

Reflecting on the acquisition, SCG President John Tayloe said "Shortwave signals continue to cross political, social, racial, economic, and cultural barriers. It is notable that China's explosive growth in shortwave broadcasting has increased their audience worldwide and has filled the void left by retreating Western countries from the powerful medium. I believe shortwave is the perfect medium for carrying the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the world. Unlike other forms of mass media such as satellite, terrestrial television/AM/FM radio, and printed materials - shortwave radio signals can still be sent without program content being restricted in any way. The Voice of Hope ñ Africa is a remarkable platform to reach millions. Voice of Hope is also excited about the latest technical advances that provide new opportunities such as CD quality over-the-air digital broadcasting (Digital Radio Mondiale - DRM), 24/7 internet streaming simulcasts, and dynamic interactive websites - and is actively investigating integrating all of these advances within each broadcast ministry."

The Voice of Hope ñ Africa campus has 12 buildings on 150 acres. It houses two 100 kW Continental shortwave transmitters and two high-gain TCI long range antennas that beam strong signals over all of west, central, and southern Africa. As part of its commitment to the community, SCG will also operate a Health Clinic from its broadcast campus and explore the viability of an annual Leadership program for Christian Pastors and Lay leaders. Because of its unique location, plans to expand the Voice of Hope's footprint into India and China from this location are also being evaluated.

In a message to SCG, Jeff White, past president, National Association of Shortwave Broadcasters ("NASB", http://www.shortwave.org) said: "At a time when some countries and organizations have been reducing or eliminating their shortwave transmissions, it is refreshing to see that broadcasters like Voice of Hope are expanding their reach and

giving new life to shortwave. Africa is particularly important since the people of this continent rely heavily on shortwave radio to hear news, information and spiritual programming."

Strategic Communications Group was established in November 1998 as a non-profit, 501(c)(3) charity in the United States. SCG also owns and operates the Voice of Hope ñ Americas (KVOH) radio station from Los Angeles that was launched in 1986 by George Otis, Sr., founder of High Adventure Ministries (1973-1999), and features broadcasts in Spanish and English to Latin America, the Caribbean, Canada and the USA.

SCG is in the final stages of a major upgrade to the broadcast signal of Voice of Hope ñ Americas, installing a high-performance Harris shortwave transmitter. SCG is also in the planning stages for a state-of-the-art global Technical Operations Center (TOC) to be located in the Los Angeles area. This TOC will allow efficient monitoring and technical support of all Voice of Hope broadcast transmitter sites in the U.S. and abroad.

SOURCE Strategic Communications Group (via DXLD)

** ZIMBABWE [non]. MADAGASCAR, 12115, Radio Dialogue, Talata Volondry, 1638-1658, escuchada el 9 de mayo de 2015 con emisiÛn de m˙sica pop y temas de pop africano, se corta la emisiÛn bruscamente, SINPO 34333 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia) 39.513356, -0.410268, EspaÒa, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10 m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 1340, May 13 at 0512 UT, talk about astronomy, sounds familiar regular segment, and proves // but 15 seconds ahead of KMOX 1120, so it`s `Overnight America`, now syndicated by Westwood One, but can`t find any affiliate list at WW1, and streaming aggregators are worse than nothing tho get top search hits. While atop the graveyard QRM, this seems to be roughly from NE/SW, which implies MO or TX, or maybe KS if nothing further. The only 1340 WW1 affil in those states per the NRC AM Log 2014-2015 is KLID Poplar Bluff MO, which is more like east of here in the SE corner. Scatterbrain website http://www.klidradio.com/ shows mix of nostalgic music and talk, ranging from Jim Hightower to Herman Cain, but no plain old program schedule which might show ONA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 4847, ute 5/10, 1111. Strong "Bonker" station with raspy dot-dash pattern. VG. 73 and Good Listening .....! (Rick Barton, El Mirage AZ, Grundig Satellit 750, Outdoor Slinky, Radio Shack SW-2000629, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. NVO IDENTIFICADA: 6123.7, Sinal desconhecido, 2125-..., 10/5, emiss„o com portadora vazia, aparentemente; 22441, QRM

adjacente. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. MARE Gary Vance provided a "Prologue" to his logs: "These Logs are from my Screened Porch "DXpedition". I sat on my screened porch and played with my Sony ICF-2010 and Sony ANLP1. Of course Alf the DXing Cat had to sit on my lap and pester me."

Gary went on to describe his UNID log: "This morning I was tuning in the 31 meter band. Asian Stations were coming in well. When I got to 9360 kHz I hear an OM Tx Asian Language. I noticed on my Black Cat application that it was a frequency for QXT Copenhagen Met Fax. [which has been off the air for years Gary! -kvz] I also checked short-wave.info and nothing was supposed to be occupying the frequency. I also used my pre-selector to make sure it wasnít an image signal. I used USB/LSB. The station I heard was on 9360 kHz.

I know, I know, there isnít an Asian station listed for 9360 kHz, but that doesnít mean I didnít hear one this morning. Remember, I didnít hear ELWA either until others heard it.[nobody said you didn't hear it Gary -- and 'lists' are often wrong so .... does anyone have ideas about what this might be? Got me stumped! -kvz = Kenneth Vito Zichi, ed.] Viz.:

Unknownia: 9360, UNID Asian May 5, 2015, approximately 1150 UT I heard an OM Tx [transmission? talking?] in an Asian language (presumed); the signal was faint but there wasnít any interference. Between 1150 and 1200 I heard two OM and a YL. Just before 1200 one of the OM got revved up. This was followed by a short music clip; then there were three pips and dead air (Gary Vance, Grand Ledge MI, Mare Tipsheet May 8 via DXLD)

That sounds like typical behavior of CNR1 jammers against Sound of Hope. You should have tried to // it to numerous other cNR1 jammer or non-jammer frequencies. Another case of misrelying on outdated shortwave-info rather than Aoki for latest info like this. At least as of May 12, it shows:

``9360*SOH Xi Wang Zhi Sheng 1028-2200 1234567 Chinese/Cantonese  0.1 ND ? TWN 2610N11955E SOH a15``

It`s the only entry for 9360, and the * means of course, jammed with a lot more than 100 watts, when SOH is really active anytime during that span (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED [non]. 12000 NO ID, 2140-2147, escuchada el 10 de mayo de 2015 en idioma asi·tico sin identificar a locutor y locutora con comentarios, segmento musical, cantante con tema de Ûpera y acompaÒada de flauta, SINPO 24222 (JosÈ Miguel Romero, Burjasot (Valencia),

Spain, 39.513356, -0.410268, Grundig Yacht Boy 80, Antena hilo de 10m, dxldyg via DX LISTENING DIGEST)

PBS Xizang in Tibetan 2055-1805 on new 12000 Lhasa, ex 6200 -- 73! (Ivo Ivanov, QTH: Sofia, Bulgaria, ibid.)

UNIDENTIFIED [non]. 11999.8, UNIDENTIFIED. At 1028, on 8 May. The station is playing Parisian type instrumental music. At 1030 a male voice came on after short interval music that played three times. The male voice was followed by a female speaker talking with music in the background. I was unable to identify a language. Poor (John Cooper, Lebanon, PA, Winradio-G33DDC, CommRadio CR-1a, RF Space-SDR-IQ, Sangean ATS-909X with Clear Mod, Tecsun PL-660, GAP-Hear It In Line Module, Timewave ANC-4, Wellbrook ALA-1530S+, PARS-SWL End Fed x 2, NASWA Flashsheet via DXLD)

Voice of Mongolia on new frequency, offset. Only at 09-12, while TIBET above has also moved to 12000 over longer span, and not offset (Glenn Hauser, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 13667.5, May 14 at 1247, extremely distorted FM somewhat readable by slope detexion, intermittent CB- or ham-like comments about equipment, one side only heard, fades somewhat. Suspected image or subharmonic from CB (2x = 27335 but nothing heard there). Or maybe image from a 2m repeater; however the fading indicates otherwise, propagated, or nearby mobile. Het against weak 13665 AM broadcast which would be CRI English via ALBANIA (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

UNIDENTIFIED. 13798-USB, May 14 at 1332, the colloquial Spanish 2-way intruder is here again like 24.5 hours earlier, but today no signal detectable from R. Puntland on 13800; it does abut 13795-AM, Iran in Urdu via Sirjan (Glenn Hauser, OK, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

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UNSOLICITED TESTIMONIALS
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ACKNOWLEDGED ON WORLD OF RADIO 1773:
Here`s a bit to keep you & DXLD rolling along ñ thanks as always, for your sterling efforts to keep timely/accurate DX info available to all. Cheers from the beach (Dan Sheedy, CA, with an MO to P O Box 1684, Enid OK 73702)

TO BE ACKNOWLEDGED FUTURELY:
Love to listen to your programs (JOHN BLACK, with a contribution via PayPal to woradio at yahoo.com)
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PUBLICATIONS
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QSL HERITAGE

Presented is a collection of my grandfather, Les Miles's short-wave listening QSL cards from the late 1930s to early 1940's. One of those rare QSL's can be seen here. Radio - Saigon 11.780 MHz, 19 December 1939. See the whole collection here:
http://vk6ysf.com/qsl_heritage.htm
(SW Bulletin May 10 via DXLD)

LANGUAGE LESSONS
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A note to Glenn: Whenever I write a frequency without decimals, it means it's the assigned frequency, e.g. 11855 is 11855.0; otherwise I indicate the frequency deviation. This answers your latest comment about it. 73, (Carlos GonÁalves, Portugal, DX LISTENING DIGEST)

OK, but to be consistent and explicit in a roster/log of frequencies to one decimal place, the ``even`` ones should be `.0` too (gh, DXLD)

CONVENTIONS & CONFERENCES
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DAYTON HAMVENTION 2015

Hamvention will be held 15-17 May, 2015 at the Hara Arena Complex in Dayton, Ohio. For more information, please select the tabs below or use the navigation menu above to visit pages of interest. If you have a specific question that isnít answered on the site, please contact us.

Since 1952 HamventionÆ has been sponsored by Dayton Amateur Radio Association (DARA). For many years it has been the world\ís largest amateur radio gathering, attracting hams from throughout the globe.About 1950, John Willig, W8ACE, had asked the Dayton Amateur Radio Association to sponsor a HAM Convention but was turned down. John wanted to have a quality affair. Speakers and prizes would be a drawing point. John finally found a champion in Frank Schwab, W8YCP (W8OK), the newly elected president of the club. A meeting was held and the DARA Board allocated $100 to get started. The first organizational meeting was held in January 1952.

The Southwestern Ohio Ham-vention was born. The first committee consisted of: John Willig, W8ACE, General Chairman Al Dinsmore, W8AUN,

Arrangements Bob Siff, W8QDI (K4AMG), Prizes and Exhibits Frank Schwab, W8YCP (W8OK), Publicity Bob Montgomery, W8CUJ, Finance Clem Wolford, W8ENH, Program Ellie Haburton, W8GJP (W4ZVW), Womenís Committee. The next year the name became ìDayton HamventionÆî and was registered as a trademark. April was determined to be the best time but the Biltmore Hotel, in downtown Dayton was booked. March 22 was the chosen date, causing a short lead time. How far did $100 go? Not far! A 12î TV was raffled off to help raise funds.

The FCC agreed to give license exams and Phil Rand, W1BDM, a pioneer in TVI elimination was on the program. First prize, a Collins 75A2, was purchased locally. Hoping for 300 visitors, the committee was amazed that over 600 showed up! There were 7 exhibitors and 6 forums. The ladies` program was successful with a luncheon at the Biltmore and a trip to a local TV station. In 1955 the Awards Program began with the ìAmateur of the Year.î

The Flea Market has grown from 200 to more than 2000 spaces. In 1964 the HamventionÆ moved to Hara Arena. Shuttle buses and handicapped parking were added in 1969. In 1973 it became a 2 day event with Sundays added in 1974. The program has grown to a ìSouvenir Programî and in 1976 the dimensions changed from 6x9 to the current 8-1/2 x 11 inches. The growth of the Dayton HamventionÆ can be attributed to caring, energetic people who enjoy being on a winning team.

http://hamvention.org/about/hamvention/
Live coverage here
http://hamvention.org/media-news/live-coverage/
Posted by: (Mike Terry, May 11, dxldyg via DXLD)

DX-PEDITIONS
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90-second Desert-DXPedition report:

CX were excellent 042815--050215. A LOT of time was wasted on trying to get good F/B on D-Kaz 140 x 22's; until we went back to the basics*** and THEN it really hummed. Two D-Kaz 140 x 22 in Broadside (340-foot separation) produced marvelous results; heard well over a hundred stations not previously copied. The real satisfaction was hearing stations down the bore-sight of the Broadside while the antenna rejected other Co's lots closer but outside of what appeared to be a nice, narrowly-focused main beam.

Experiments with a 1000-foot MW horizontal loop were disappointing (likely, at 25 feet, not high enough). A 1000-foot BOG worked as BOGs usually do; though F/B nulls were not great.

Were able to load a 30-foot vertical in such a way as to create a fairly-wide "sweet spot" that increased antenna sensitivity without creating a sharply-tuned situation.

At one point we had five antennas up over a few acres of desert and did a lot of comparison recording. We also "pre-swept" some antennas using a RigExpert Antenna Analyzer. That showed us SWR, Reactance, Resistance, Phase etc.

Then the winds picked up and that precluded our intended comparisons among two large Super-Loops and some ëD-Kaz-on-steroidí lengths with larger aspect ratios. Those are now goals for the next DXPedition.

Power this year was provided via solar cells recharging deep-cycle batteries that powered our lap-top-charging inverter. (We were doing so much construction that we had the down-time for re-charging.) At the Ft. Wayne July convention we hope to present a seminar on the RIGHT way to power field equipment for continuous, no-charging, low-noise operation <g>

Weíll be sorting the data for months. So far we've published a log of the Broadside catches (ping me if you want an Excel copy).

*** We turned up some troublesome results with extended Cat-5 transmission lines that will be the basis for a follow-on report. Cheers! (Mark Durenberger, May 10, NRC-AM via DXLD)

WHERE??? Seems to be a big secret, but hints lead to UTAH (gh, DXLD)

``We turned up some troublesome results with extended Cat-5 transmission lines that will be the basis for a follow-on report.``

Did you use explosives (g) Sincerely (Todd Skaine, Woodbury MN, ibid.)

We used "Wire-Stretchers" (tied the ends of the Cat-5 to the back of two 4-wheelers and sped away from each other). Regards, (Mark Durenberger, ibid.)

Mark - Could you please tell us the location of your Desert DXpedition? Thanks, (Marc DeLorenzo, South Dennis, Cape Cod, Massachusetts, ibid.)

OH sorry Marc. About ten miles west of the Utah/Colorado border, and 4 miles North of Interstate 70. Cheers! (Mark Durenberger, ibid.)

So in an area marked Grand Valley on my Rand McNally atlas; and also not far from the Colorado River on the other side of I-70 (gh, DXLD)

RADIO EQUIPMENT FORUM
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NEW D-KAZ REPORT

A COMPLETELY-REVISED report on the D-Kaz antenna is now on-line at:
http://www.durenberger.com/documents/DKAZREPORT051214.pdf

This revision includes results of a recent DXPedition to the Utah desert where two D-Kaz antennas were arrayed in Broadside.

Hope it makes good reading and, of course, comments/questions are welcome! Regards, (Mark Durenberger, May 13, MDXC yg via DXLD)

IN AUCTION FOR RADIOSHACK NAME, BID STANDS AT $15 MILLION
Reuters Business | Tue May 12, 2015 12:50pm EDT
SAN FRANCISCO | By Jim Christie

The exterior of a RadioShack store is seen in New York February 5, 2015. REUTERS/Brendan McDermid

http://www.reuters.com/article/2015/05/12/us-bankruptcy-radioshack-idUSKBN0NX21U20150512O

The auction for bankrupt electronic retailer RadioShack's name and customer data will resume on Tuesday with bidding at $15 million, according to a lawyer tracking the sale.

The high bidder is an affiliate of the Standard General hedge fund, which acquired 1,740 RadioShack stores in April, according to Adrienne Walker of Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo.

The auction for the assets is taking place at the New York offices of the Jones Day law firm.

Walker represents a group of RadioShack's U.S. independent dealers and franchisees. They have objected to the sale over concerns about whether they could continue to use the RadioShack trademark and whether a buyer of the company's customer data will be subject to their privacy policies.

The sale of RadioShack's customer data has also raised concerns about privacy, and Texas Attorney General Ken Paxton's office has objected to the sale of personally identifiable information.

Apple Inc joined that effort last week with a filing in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Wilmington, Delaware, that said its reseller agreement with RadioShack protects information collected by the

retailer during sales of Apple products.

The sale of the RadioShack name and customer data must be approved by U.S. Bankruptcy Judge Brendan Shannon.

RadioShack, forced into Chapter 11 bankruptcy in February by competition from online and bricks-and-mortar rivals, won court approval in March to sell part of its business to General Wireless, an affiliate of the Standard General hedge fund. Most of RadioShack's surviving stores will be co-branded with cellular phone provider Sprint Corp (S.N).

The case is In Re: RadioShack Corp, Case No. 15-10197, in U.S. Bankruptcy Court, District of Delaware.

(Reporting by Jim Christie; Editing)
(Reuters via Artie Bigley, May 12, WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DRM See GOA; INDIA; NIGERIA; SOUTH AFRICA;
++++++++++++++++++++++++++++ SPAIN; ZAMBIA

DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DAB & IBOC too: see SOUTH AFRICA
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DIGITAL BROADCASTING --- DTV See MEXICO
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PROPAGATION
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:Product: Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Weekly Highlights and Forecasts
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Highlights of Solar and Geomagnetic Activity 04 - 10 May 2015

Solar activity ranged from low to high levels during the period. The largest and most active regions on the solar disk this period were Regions 2335 (S15, L=192, class/area Eac/310 on 04 May) and 2339 (N13, L=129, class/area Fkc/900 on 08 May). Region 2335 began the period reaching its peak in area and magnetic complexity (Beta-gamma). On 05 May it produced two M-class flares; an M1 at 05/1425 UTC and an M2 at 05/1724 UTC. By 06 May, Region 2335 was in

decay and ended the period as a simple Cro spot class with a beta magnetic configuration. Region 2339 was in a growth phase since it rotated around the NE limb on 05 May. This region was responsible for multiple M-class flaring spanning 05-06 May and an impulsive X2 flare at 05/2211 UTC with an associated Type II radio sweep (1163 km/s), a 590 sfu Tenflare and a non-Earth directed coronal mass ejection (CME) first observed in SOHO/LASCO C2 imagery at 05/2224 UTC off the NE limb. Solar activity declined to low levels from 07-10 May.

No proton events were observed at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit was at moderate levels on 04-05 May and at normal levels from 06-10 May.

Geomagnetic field activity ranged from quiet to minor storm levels during the period. The period started off with quiet conditions on 04 and 05 May under a nominal solar wind regime. At 06/0053 UTC, a shock was observed at the ACE satellite associated with a 02 May CME that occurred as a result of an 18 degree filament eruption observed between 02/1500-1830 UTC. Total field increased to a maximum of 18 nT at 06/0614 UTC while the Bz component went southward to a maximum of -13 nT at 06/1216 UTC. Solar wind speeds increased from 363 km/s to around 490 km/s. A geomagnetic sudden impulse was subsequently observed at 06/0143 UTC with a 31 nT deviation in the Boulder magnetometer. As a result, quiet to minor storm levels were observed on 06 May. By late on 06 May and through 07 May, the Bz component deflected north and remained so as CME effects diminished. Nominal solar wind conditions prevailed through 10 May when the total field became enhanced once again. Total field increased to 14 nT with prolonged periods of southward Bz. No appreciable increase in solar wind speed was observed with this event, however. The geomagnetic field was quiet on 07 May, quiet to unsettled on 08 and 09 May and quiet to active on 10 May.

FORECAST OF SOLAR AND GEOMAGNETIC ACTIVITY 11 MAY - 06 JUNE 2015

Solar activity is expected to be at low levels with a chance for M-class (R1-R2, Minor-Moderate) flares from 11-18 May as Region 2339 transits the visible disk and again from 31 May-06 June when Region 2339 returns.

No proton events are expected at geosynchronous orbit.

The greater than 2 MeV electron flux at geosynchronous orbit is expected to be at normal to moderate levels with high levels possible from 13-18 May and again from 21-23 May due to coronal hole high speed stream (CH HSS) activity.

Geomagnetic field activity is expected to be at unsettled to active levels from 11 through 14 May with periods of minor storming (G1-Minor) likely on 12-13 May due to a combination of a co-rotating interaction region followed by a CH HSS. Unsettled to active levels are also expected from 18-19 May and 02 -03 June with possible periods of minor storming on 18 May due to multiple recurrent CH HSS.

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Product description and SWPC contact on the Web
http://www.swpc.noaa.gov/wwire.html
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27-day Space Weather Outlook Table
Issued 2015-05-11
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# UTC Date	Radio Flux 10.7 cm	Planetary A Index	Largest Kp Index
2015 May 11	160	12	4
2015 May 12	165	25	5
2015 May 13	160	25	5
2015 May 14	155	12	4
2015 May 15	155	8	3
2015 May 16	155	5	2
2015 May 17	145	5	2
2015 May 18	135	20	5
2015 May 19	125	12	4
2015 May 20	120	8	3
2015 May 21	115	5	2
2015 May 22	115	5	2
2015 May 23	115	5	2
2015 May 24	110	5	2
2015 May 25	110	5	2
2015 May 26	110	5	2
2015 May 27	110	5	2
2015 May 28	115	5	2
2015 May 29	120	8	3
2015 May 30	120	8	3
2015 May 31	120	5	2
2015 Jun 01	130	8	3
2015 Jun 02	140	15	4
2015 Jun 03	140	10	3
2015 Jun 04	140	5	2
2015 Jun 05	145	5	2
2015 Jun 06	150	5	2

(SWPC via WORLD OF RADIO 1773, DXLD)

GLENN`S PROPAGATION OUTLOOK FOR MEDIA NETWORK PLUS, AS OF MAY 14, 2015

Keith, IPS in Australia predicts normal global HF propagation thru May 16.

Spaceweather South Africa says thru May 16: magnetic conditions quiet to unsettled; shortwave fadeouts unlikely; MUF stable.

Met Office UK, thru May 17, says solar activity will be low, but a chance of moderate class flares and R1-R2 radio blackouts.

OK1HH in Czechia says the Geomagnetic field will be:
active to disturbed on May 15, June 1
quiet to active on May 16 - 18, 30
quiet to unsettled on May 19, 25, 29, 31
quiet on May 20 - 23, 26 - 27
mostly quiet on May 24, 28, June 2

The space weather prediction center in Colorado says geomagnetic field should be at unsettled to active levels May 18-19 with possible periods of minor storming on May 18 with A- and K-indices peaking at 20 and 5.

Lowest indices of 8 and 3 or 5 and 2 are expected May 15-17, and 20 thru June 1. Minor storming maybe on June 2 with A and K of 15 and 4. Solar flux dropping from 155 May 16 to 110 on the 24 to 27, and back up to 150 by June 6.

Bill Hepburn`s VHF UHF DX maps show very strong to intense tropospheric ducting along the Texas coast, especially the mornings of May 16 and 18. Extreme tropo ducting across the eastern Mediterranean May 16-19. And keep an ear on the FM bands; the sporadic E season has begun (via DXLD) ###